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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides replication competent polynucleotides that include a coding sequence encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein having adaptive mutations. The invention also includes methods for making replication competent polynucleotides, identifying a compound that inhibits replication of a replication competent polynucleotide, selecting a replication competent polynucleotide, and detecting a replication competent polynucleotide.

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BACKGROUND

Hepatitis C virus is the most common cause of chronic viral hepatitis
within the United States, infecting approximately 4 million Americans and
responsible for the deaths of 8,000-10,000 persons annually due to progressive
hepatic fibrosis leading to cirrhosis and/or the development of hepatocellular
carcinoma. Hepatitis C virus is a single stranded, positive-sense RNA virus with a
genome length of approximately 9.6 kb. It is currently classified within a separate
genus of the flavivirus family, the genus *Hepacivirus*. The hepatitis C virus
genome contains a single large open reading frame (ORF) that follows a 5' non-
translated RNA of approximately 342 bases containing an internal ribosome entry
segment (IRES) directing cap-independent initiation of viral translation. The
large ORF encodes a polyprotein which undergoes post-translational cleavage,
under control of cellular and viral proteinases. This yields a series of structural
proteins which include a core or nucleocapsid protein, two envelope
glycoproteins, E1 and E2, and at least six nonstructural replicative proteins.
These include NS2 (which with the adjacent NS3 sequence demonstrates *cis*-
active metalloproteinase activity at the NS2/NS3 cleavage site), NS3 (a serine
proteinase/NTPase/RNA helicase), NS4A (serine proteinase accessory factor),
NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B (RNA-dependent RNA polymerase).

With the exception of the 5' non-translated RNA, there is substantial genetic heterogeneity among different strains of hepatitis C virus. Phylogenetic analyses have led to the classification of hepatitis C virus strains into a series of genetically distinct "genotypes," each of which contains a group of genetically related viruses. The genetic distance between some of these genotypes is large enough to suggest that there may be biologically significant serotypic differences as well. There is little understanding of the extent to which infection with a virus of any one genotype might confer protection against viruses of a different genotype.

The currently available therapy of interferon in combination with ribavirin has poor response rate against most prevalent strains of HCV, genotype 1a and 1b. Establishment of selectable subgenomic replicon systems has advanced the study of HCV RNA replication. However, only replicons of genotype 1b strains are readily available, and extension of replicon systems to other genotypes has been largely unsuccessful. Considering the nature of high genetic variability of HCV, HCV replication systems derived from other genotypes will be very helpful in the effort of drug discovery. In support with this notion, chimeric replicons containing a genotype 1a polymerase in the background of a genotype 1b replicon were more resistant to interferon treatment in vitro than the replicon derived from a genotype 1b HCV.

Extension of replicon system to other genotypes are also necessary to understand the mechanism of HCV RNA replication and the contribution of variable sequences in that process.

Recently two groups reported the generation of genotype 1a replication system using highly permissive sublines of Huh-7 cells. Blight et al. (J. Virol. 77, 3181-3190 (2003)) were able to select G418 resistant colonies supporting replication of genotype 1a derived subgenomic replicons in a hyper-permissive Huh7 subline, Huh-7.5, that was generated by curing an established G418-resistant replicon cell line of the subgenomic Con1 replicon RNA that had been used to select it by treatment with interferon-alpha (Blight et al., J. Virol., 76, 13001-13014 (2002)). Sequence analysis of replicating HCV RNAs inside of such selected cell lines showed that the most common critical mutations were located at amino acid position 470 of NS3 (P1496L) within domain II of the NS3 helicase, and the NS5A mutation (S2204I). In other case, Grobler et al. (J. Biol. Chem., 278, 16741-16746 (Feb, 2003)), used a systematic mutational approach to reach

the similar conclusion that both P1496L and S2204I combination was necessary to get genotype 1a replication in a highly permissive Huh-7 subline which was selected in an independent but similar way. However, genotype 1a RNAs with these two enhanced mutations does not undergo replication in the Huh-7 cell line,
5 indicating limited usefulness of this system.

SUMMARY

The present invention provides replication competent polynucleotides. The replication competent polynucleotides include a 5' non-translated region
10 (NTR), a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein. The 5' NTR, the 3' NTR, and the nucleotide sequence encoding the polyprotein may be genotype 1a. The polyprotein includes an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further includes an adaptive mutation. The adaptive mutation can be an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, a valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, or a combination thereof. The polyprotein may be a subgenomic polyprotein. The polyprotein may include the cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.
15 The replication competent polynucleotides may further include a second coding sequence. The second coding sequence can encode, for instance, a marker or a transactivator. The replication competent polynucleotides may further include a nucleotide sequence having cis-acting ribozyme activity, wherein the nucleotide sequence is located 3' of the 3' NTR.
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25 Also provided by the present invention are methods for making a replication competent polynucleotide, and the resulting replication competent polynucleotide. The methods include providing a polynucleotide having a 5' NTR, 3' NTR, a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein. Typically, the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a. The polyprotein includes a serine at about amino acid 2204, a glutamine at about amino acid 1067, a lysine at about amino acid 1691, a phenylalanine at about amino acid 2080, a valine at about amino acid 1655, a lysine at about amino acid 2040, or a glycine at about amino acid 1188. The
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method also includes altering the coding sequence such that the polyprotein encoded thereby includes an isoleucine at amino acid 2204, and an adaptive mutation. The polyprotein may be a subgenomic polyprotein. The polyprotein may include the cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B,
5 NS5A, and NS5B.

The present invention further provides methods for identifying a compound that inhibits replication of a replication competent polynucleotide. The method includes contacting a cell containing a replication competent polynucleotide with a compound, incubating the cell under conditions wherein the
10 replication competent polynucleotide replicates in the absence of the compound, and detecting the replication competent polynucleotide, wherein a decrease of the replication competent HCV polynucleotide in the cell contacted with the compound compared to the replication competent polynucleotide in a cell not contacted with the compound indicates the compound inhibits replication of the
15 replication competent polynucleotide. The detecting of the replication competent polynucleotide can include, for instance, nucleic acid amplification or identifying a marker encoded by the replication competent polynucleotide or by the cell containing the replication competent polynucleotide.

Also provided by the present invention are methods for selecting a
20 replication competent polynucleotide. The method includes incubating a cell containing a polynucleotide including a 5' NTR, a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, and a second coding sequence. The polyprotein includes an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further includes an adaptive mutation.
25 The second coding sequence encodes a selectable marker conferring resistance to a selecting agent that inhibits replication of a cell that does not express the selectable marker. The method also includes detecting a cell that replicates in the presence of the selecting agent, wherein the presence of such a cell indicates the polynucleotide is replication competent. The method may further include
30 obtaining a virus particle produced by the cell, exposing a second cell to the isolated virus particle and incubating the second cell in the presence of the selecting agent, and detecting a second cell that replicates in the presence of the selecting agent, wherein the presence of such a cell indicates the replication competent polynucleotide in the first cell produces an infectious virus particle.

The present invention also provides methods for detecting a replication competent polynucleotide, including incubating a cell containing a replication competent polynucleotide. The replication competent polynucleotide includes a 5' NTR, a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3'

5 NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, and a second coding sequence encoding a transactivator. The cell includes a transactivated coding region and an operator sequence operably linked to the transactivated coding region, and the transactivated coding region encodes a detectable marker, wherein the transactivator alters transcription of the transactivated coding region. The method

10 further includes detecting the detectable marker, wherein the presence of the detectable marker indicates the cell includes a replication competent polynucleotide.

Definitions

15 As used herein, the term "replication competent polynucleotide" refers to a polynucleotide that replicates when present in a cell. For instance, a complementary polynucleotide is synthesized. As used herein, the term "replicates *in vitro*" indicates the polynucleotide replicates in a cell that is growing in culture. The cultured cell can be one that has been selected to grow in culture,

20 including, for instance, an immortalized or a transformed cell. Alternatively, the cultured cell can be one that has been explanted from an animal. "Replicates *in vivo*" indicates the polynucleotide replicates in a cell within the body of an animal, for instance a primate (including a chimpanzee) or a human. In some aspects of the present invention, replication in a cell can include the production of infectious

25 viral particles, i.e., viral particles that can infect a cell and result in the production of more infectious viral particles.

As used herein, the term "polynucleotide" refers to a polymeric form of nucleotides of any length, either ribonucleotides or deoxynucleotides, and includes both double- and single-stranded DNA and RNA. A polynucleotide may

30 include nucleotide sequences having different functions, including for instance coding sequences, and non-coding sequences such as regulatory sequences and/or non-translated regions. A polynucleotide can be obtained directly from a natural source, or can be prepared with the aid of recombinant, enzymatic, or chemical techniques. A polynucleotide can be linear or circular in topology and can be, for

example, a portion of a vector, such as an expression or cloning vector, or a fragment.

The terms "coding region" and "coding sequence" are used interchangeably and refer to a polynucleotide region that encodes a polypeptide 5 and, when placed under the control of appropriate regulatory sequences, expresses the encoded polypeptide. The boundaries of a coding region are generally determined by a translation start codon at its 5' end and a translation stop codon at its 3' end. A coding region can encode one or more polypeptides. For instance, a coding region can encode a polypeptide that is subsequently processed into two or 10 more polypeptides. A regulatory sequence or regulatory region is a nucleotide sequence that regulates expression of a coding region to which it is operably linked. Nonlimiting examples of regulatory sequences include promoters, transcription initiation sites, translation start sites, internal ribosome entry sites, translation stop sites, and terminators. "Operably linked" refers to a juxtaposition 15 wherein the components so described are in a relationship permitting them to function in their intended manner. A regulatory sequence is "operably linked" to a coding region when it is joined in such a way that expression of the coding region is achieved under conditions compatible with the regulatory sequence.

"Polypeptide" as used herein refers to a polymer of amino acids and does 20 not refer to a specific length of a polymer of amino acids. Thus, for example, the terms peptide, oligopeptide, protein, polyprotein, proteinase, and enzyme are included within the definition of polypeptide. This term also includes post-expression modifications of the polypeptide, for example, glycosylations, acetylations, phosphorylations and the like. A "hepatitis C virus polyprotein" 25 refers to a polypeptide that is post-translationally cleaved to yield more than one polypeptide.

The terms "5' non-translated RNA," "5' non-translated region," "5' untranslated region" and "5' noncoding region" are used interchangeably, and are terms of art (see Bukh et al., Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. U S A, 89, 4942-4946 (1992)). 30 The term refers to the nucleotides that are at the 5' end of a replication competent polynucleotide.

The terms "3' non-translated RNA," "3' non-translated region," and "3' untranslated region" are used interchangeably, and are terms of art. The term

refers to the nucleotides that are at the 3' end of a replication competent polynucleotide.

Unless otherwise specified, "a," "an," "the," and "at least one" are used interchangeably and mean one or more than one.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure. 1. Organization of the selectable subgenomic dicistronic HCV replicons, Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI (identical to Ntat2ANeo/SI in Yi et al., Virol., 302, 197-210 (2002)), Htat2ANeo/SI, and Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI, in which most of the 10 nonstructural protein-coding region and the 3'NTR are derived from the H77c HCV genotype 1a sequence. The two large ORFs are shown as rectangles, with nontranslated RNA segments shown as lines. The segment of the 3' ORF labeled 'pp' ('proximal protease') encodes the amino terminus of the NS3 protein (residues 1 to 75). 'Bpp' indicates that this region is derived from the HCV Con1 sequence. 15 Both replicons contain the S2204I mutation in NS5A (S→I). 'δ' Indicates the hepatitis delta ribozyme sequence introduced downstream of the 3' terminus of the HCV sequence that produces an exact 3' end.

Figure. 2. Transient HCV RNA replication assay. Shown is the expression 20 of SEAP by En5-3 cells following transfection with the chimeric 1a replicon Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI and Bpp-Htat2ANeo/KR/SI, which carries an additional K1691R mutation in NS3 that was identified following selection of G418-resistant cells following transfection with Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI. As controls, SEAP expression is shown following transfection of cells with the highly replication competent 1b 25 replicon, Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI, and a related replication defective ΔGDD mutant; also shown in SEAP expression by normal En5-3 cells. Results shown represent the mean values obtained from triplicate cultures transfected with each RNA. SI, S2204 adaptive mutation; KR, K1691R adaptive mutation.

30 Figure. 3. (A) Schematic depicting the organization of the 5' end of the second ORF in subgenomic chimeric replicons containing most (Bpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI) or all (Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI) of the H77 genotype 1a NS34A-coding sequence in the background of the genotype 1b Bpp-

Ntat2ANeo/SI. Genotype 1a sequence (H77) is shown as an open box, genotype 1b sequence (Con1 or HCV-N) as a shaded box. 'Bpp' indicates the presence of genotype 1b sequence from the Con1 strain of HCV in the 5' proximal protease coding sequence, whereas 'Hpp' indicates that this sequence is derived from the 5 genotype 1a H77 sequence. Approximate locations are shown for the adaptive mutations Q1067R (Q→R) and G1188R (G→R), identified in G418-resistant cell clones selected following transfection of Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI. (B) SEAP activity present in supernatant culture fluids collected at 24 hr intervals following transfection of En5-3 cells with various chimeric 1a-1b replicons including Bpp-
10 H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI, Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI, Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/QR/SI, and Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/GR/SI. Control cells were transfected with Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI and the replication defective ΔGDD mutant. See legend to Fig. 2 for further details. SI, S2204 adaptive mutation; QR, Q1067R adaptive mutation; and GR, G1188R adaptive mutation.

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Figure 4. Impact of adaptive mutations on replication competence of the subgenomic genotype 1a replicon, Htat2ANeo/SI. (A) Location of various adaptive mutations within the second ORF (derived entirely from the genotype 1a H77 sequence): Q1067R, P1496L (NS3); K1691R (NS4A); and F2080V and S2204I (NS5A). (B) Transient HCV RNA replication assay. SEAP activity in culture supernatants collected at 12-24 hr intervals following electroporation of En5-3 cells with the 1a replicon Htat2ANeo carrying the indicated combinations of the adaptive mutations shown in panel A. Cells were also transfected with genotype 1b Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI replicon RNA as a reference. (C) Summary of the 20 replication phenotypes of genotype 1a replicon Htat2ANeo RNAs containing various combinations of adaptive mutations: (-) no detectable replication, (+) modest increase in SEAP expression above background days 3-5, and (+++) >10-fold increase in SEAP expression above background 7 days after transfection in the transient replication assay (see panel B). SI, S2204 adaptive mutation; QR, Q1067R adaptive mutation; PL, P1496L adaptive mutation; KR, K1691R adaptive mutation; and FV, F2080V adaptive mutation.

Figure 5. Adaptive mutations within the polyprotein do not influence the efficiency of polyprotein translation under control of the EMCV IRES. Shown is

an SDS-PAGE gel loaded with products of in vitro translation reactions programmed with RNAs derived from Bpp-Ntat2ANeo (lane 1), Bpp-Htat2ANeo (lanes 2 and 3), Htat2ANeo (lanes 4 to 8), or Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/ΔGDD (lane 9) RNAs carrying various combinations of adaptive mutations (Q1067R, K1691R, 5 F2080V, or S2204I) as indicated. The schematic at the top of the figure indicates the location of these mutations within the polyprotein. 'pp' indicates the RNA segment encoding the amino terminal 75 residues of NS3, while 'NS' indicates the remainder of the RNA segment encoding the nonstructural proteins. H = genotype 1a H77 sequences, B = genotype 1b Con1 sequences, and N = genotype 1b HCV- 10 N sequences. Location of NS3 and Neo product is indicated at the side of gel.

Figure 6. Impact of additional adaptive mutations on replication competence of the subgenomic genotype 1a replicon, Htat2ANeo/QR/KR/SI (see Fig. 4). (A) Location of various adaptive mutations within the second ORF (derived entirely from the genotype 1a H77 sequence): Q1067R, V1655I (NS3); K1691R (NS4A); and K2040R (KR^{5A}), F2080V and S2204I (NS5A). (B) Transient HCV RNA replication assay. SEAP activity in culture supernatants collected at 12-24 hr intervals following electroporation of En5-3 cells with the 1a replicon Htat2ANeo carrying the indicated combinations of the adaptive 15 mutations shown in panel A. Cells were also transfected with genotype 1b Bpp- Ntat2ANeo/SI replicon RNA as a reference. QR, Q1067R adaptive mutation; VI, V1655I adaptive mutation; KR, K1691R adaptive mutation; KR^{5A}, K2040 adaptive mutation; FV, F2080V adaptive mutation; and SI, S2204I adaptive mutation.

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Figure 7. Northern analysis of HCV RNA abundance 4 days following transfection of normal Huh7 or En5-3 cells with the indicated dicistronic subgenomic and monocistronic genome length HCV RNAs: (lane 1), normal cells; (lane 2), the subgenomic replicon, Htat2ANeo/SI; (lanes 2-5), Htat2ANeo/SI 30 replicon RNAs carrying the indicated combinations of mutations; (lane 6), nonreplicating Htat2ANeo/QR/VI/KR//KR5A/SI/AAG; (lanes 7) genome-length H77c RNA; (lanes 8-10), genome-length H77c RNA containing the indicated combinations of mutations; (lane 11), genome-length H77 RNA containing the lethal NS5B mutation; (lanes 12 and 13) subcontrol genomic and genome-length

synthetic RNA transcripts. Blots were probed with a genotype 1a probe derived from the NS5B coding sequence for detection of HCV-specific sequence (top panels); blots were also probed for b-actin message to assess RNA loading (lower panels). At the top of the figure is shown the En5-3 cell culture supernatant fluid
5 SEAP activity induced by replicating subgenomic RNAs at the time of cell harvest. SI, S2204 adaptive mutation; QR, Q1067R adaptive mutation; KR, K1691R adaptive mutation; and FV, F2080V adaptive mutation.

Figure 8. Structure of the NS3/4A serine protease/helicase enzyme complex derived from the genotype 1b BK strain of HCV (PDP 1CU1), with the locations of adaptive mutations highlighted. (A) Wire diagram of structure showing the NS3 helicase domain (H) and the protease domain (P). The NS4A cofactor polypeptide (NS4A) is shown in space-filling view, with the NS3 protease active site residues (Active Site) shown in space-filling view. Adaptive mutations identified in this study (Q1067, G1188, V1655, and K1691) cluster near the protease active site or at sites involved in substrate recognition, including the mutations in the NS3 protease domain at Gln-1067, Gly-1188 and near the carboxyl terminus of NS3 in the helicase domain at Val-1655. The NS4A adaptive mutation at Lys-1691 is just beyond the surface of the protease, at the site of exit
10 of the NS4A strand. Adaptive mutations within the NS3 helicase domain that were identified in other studies, S1222, A1226, and P1496 are shown in space-filling view, and are not close to the protease active site. (B) Space-filling view of the structure shown in panel A, in which the adaptive mutations and active site have similar shading. The NS3/4A adaptive mutations identified in this study
15 (Q1067R, G1188R, V1655I, and K1691R) all occur at solvent accessible residues on this side of the molecule. (C) Flip-view of the structure shown in panel B, rotated approximately 180 degrees. The helicase adaptive mutations identified in previous studies are located on the surface of the helicase, distant from the protease active site. Note that in the sequence of the genotype 1b BK strain of
20 HCV, Pro-1496 is Arg (referred to as P1496(R) in the figure, and Lys-1691 is Ser (referred to as K1691(S) in the figure).

Figure 9. Nucleotide sequence of HIVSEAP (SEQ ID NO:7). The HIV long terminal repeat (LTR) is depicted at nucleotides 1-719, and secretory alkaline phosphatase is encoded by the nucleotides 748-2239.

5 Figure 10. 10A, nucleotide sequence of a 3' NTR (SEQ ID NO:8); 10B, nucleotide sequence of a 5' NTR (SEQ ID NO:9).

10 Figure 11. 11A, nucleotide sequence of a genomic length (full length) hepatitis C virus, genotype 1a (SEQ ID NO:11); 11B, the amino acid sequence of the HCV polyprotein (SEQ ID NO:12) encoded by the coding region present in SEQ ID NO:11.

15 Figure 12. 12A, nucleotide sequence of Htat2ANeo (SEQ ID NO:13), where nucleotide 1-341 are the 5'NTR, nucleotides 342-1454 are the tat2ANeo (termination codon at 1455-1457), nucleotides 1458-2076 are the EMCV IRES, nucleotides 2080-8034 encode the HCV polyprotein (initiation codon at nucleotides 2077-2079 and termination codon at nucleotides 8035-8037), nucleotides 8038-8259 are the 3'NTR, and nucleotides 8260-8345 are the HDV delta ribozyme (plasmid vector sequences are shown at nucleotides 8346-11240); 20 12B, the amino acid sequence of the HCV polyprotein (SEQ ID NO:14) encoded by the coding region present in SEQ ID NO:13.

25 Figure 13. Nucleotide (SEQ ID NO:1) of Hepatitis C virus strain H77 and amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:2) encoded by nucleotides 342 - 9377.

Figure 14. Nucleotide (SEQ ID NO:3) of Hepatitis C virus strain H and amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO:4) encoded by nucleotides 342 - 9377.

30 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS OF THE
INVENTION

The present invention provides replication competent polynucleotides. The polynucleotides include a 5' non-translated region (NTR), a 3'NTR, and a coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR. The replication

competent polynucleotides of the present invention are based on hepatitis C virus (HCV), a positive-strand virus. While the ability of a polynucleotide to replicate typically requires the presence of the positive-strand RNA polynucleotide in a cell, it is understood that the term "replication competent polynucleotide" also 5 includes the complement thereof (i.e., the negative-sense RNA), and the corresponding DNA sequences of the positive-sense and the negative-sense RNA sequences. Optionally, a replication competent polynucleotide may be isolated. "Isolated" means a biological material, for instance a polynucleotide, polypeptide, or virus particle, that has been removed from its natural environment. For 10 instance, a virus that has been removed from an animal or from cultured cells in which the virus was propagated is an isolated virus. An isolated polypeptide or polynucleotide means a polypeptide or polynucleotide that has been either removed from its natural environment, produced using recombinant techniques, or chemically or enzymatically synthesized. A "purified" biological material is one 15 that is at least 60% free, preferably 75% free, and most preferably 90% free from other components with which it is naturally associated.

The coding sequence encodes a hepatitis C virus polyprotein. In some aspects of the invention, the HCV polyprotein can yield the following polypeptides; core (also referred to as C or nucleocapsid), E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, 20 NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B. Optionally, a full length HCV polyprotein also yields protein F (see Xu et al., *EMBO J.*, 20, 3840-3848 (2001). In some aspects of the present invention, an HCV polyprotein is shortened and yields a subset of polypeptides, and typically does not include polypeptides encoded by the amino terminal end of the full length HCV polyprotein. Thus, a hepatitis C virus 25 polyprotein may encode the polypeptides E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B; E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B; P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B; NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B; or NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B. The hepatitis C virus encoding such a shortened HCV polyprotein may be referred to as a subgenomic hepatitis C 30 virus, and the shortened HCV polyprotein may be referred to as a subgenomic HCV polyprotein. In other aspects of the invention, a replication competent polynucleotide encodes an HCV polyprotein that does not include polypeptides present in an internal portion of a hepatitis C virus polyprotein. Thus, a

subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein may encode, for instance, the polypeptides NS3, NS4A, NS4B, and NS5B.

In those aspects of the invention where the replication competent polynucleotide includes a coding region that encodes less than a full length HCV polyprotein, the 5' end of the coding region encoding the HCV polyprotein may further include about 33 to about 51 nucleotides, or about 36 to about 48 nucleotides, that encode the first about 11 to about 17, or about 12 to about 16, amino acids of the core polypeptide. The result is a fusion polypeptide made up of amino terminal amino acids of the core polypeptide and the first polypeptide encoded by the first cleavage product of the polyprotein, e.g., E1, or E2, or P7, or NS2, etc.

A polyprotein that can yield the core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B polypeptides (a full length polyprotein) is typically between about 3000 and 3033 amino acids in length, preferably about 3011 amino acids in length. The relationship between such a polyprotein and the corresponding residues of the individual polypeptides resulting after post-translational processing is shown in Table 1. This numbering system is used herein when referring to a full length polyprotein, and when referring to a polyprotein that contains a portion of the full length polyprotein. For instance, in those aspects of the invention where the replication competent polynucleotide includes a coding sequence encoding an HCV polyprotein that yields the cleavage products NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B and there is no fusion polypeptide made up of amino terminal amino acids of the core polypeptide and the cleavage product NS3, the first amino acid of the NS3 polypeptide is considered to be about residue number 1027. A person of ordinary skill in the art recognizes that this numbering system can vary between members of different genotypes, and between members of the same genotype, thus the numbers shown in Table 1 are approximate, and can vary by 1, 2, 3, 4, or about 5.

Table 1. Correspondence between amino acids of polyprotein and individual polypeptides after processing.

Amino acids of HCV polyprotein ^a	Corresponding polypeptide after processing
1-191	Core
192-383	E1
384-746	E2
747-809	P7
810-1026	NS2
1027-1657	NS3
1658-1711	NS4A
1712-1972	NS4B
1973-2420	NS5A
2421-3011	NS5B

^a Refers to the approximate amino acid number prior to cleavage of the polyprotein where the first amino acid is the first amino acid of the polyprotein expressed by the HCV at Genbank Accession number AF011751 and Genbank Accession number M67463.

A replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention includes at least one adaptive mutation. As used herein, an adaptive mutation is a change in the amino acid sequence of the polyprotein that increases the ability of a replication competent polynucleotide to replicate compared to a replication competent polynucleotide that does not have the adaptive mutation. One adaptive mutation that a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention typically includes is an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, which is about amino acid 232 of NS5A. Most clinical HCV isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a serine at this position, and this mutation has been referred to in the art as S2204I. In most replication competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by locating the amino acid sequence SSSA beginning at about amino acid 2200 in the HCV polyprotein, where the amino acid immediately following the SSSA sequence is isoleucine.

A replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention may also include one or more of the adaptive mutations described herein, or a combination thereof. The first such adaptive mutation is an arginine at about amino acid 1067, which is about amino acid 41 of NS3. Most clinical HCV isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a glutamine at this position, thus this mutation can be referred to as Q1067R. In most replication competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by locating the amino acid sequence STAT beginning at about amino acid 1063 in

the HCV polyprotein, where the amino acid immediately following the STAT sequence is arginine. The second adaptive mutation is an arginine at about amino acid 1691, which is about amino acid 34 of NS4A. Most clinical HCV isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a lysine at this position,

5 thus this mutation can be referred to as K1691R. In most replication competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by locating the amino acid sequence VLSG beginning at about amino acid 1687 in the HCV polyprotein, where the amino acid immediately following the VLSG sequence is arginine. The third adaptive mutation is a valine at about amino acid

10 2080, which is about amino acid 108 of NS5A. Most clinical HCV isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a phenylalanine at this position, thus this mutation can be referred to as F2080V. In most replication competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by locating the amino acid sequence ALWR beginning at about amino

15 acid 2081 in the HCV polyprotein, where the amino acid immediately before the ALWR sequence is valine. A fourth adaptive mutation is an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, which is about amino acid 629 of NS3. Most clinical HCV isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a valine at this position, thus this mutation can be referred to as V1655I. In most replication

20 competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by locating the amino acid sequence ADLE beginning at about amino acid 2051 in the HCV polyprotein, where the amino acid immediately after the ADLE sequence is isoleucine. A fifth adaptive mutation is an arginine at about amino acid 2040, which is about amino acid 68 of NS5A. Most clinical HCV

25 isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a lysine at this position, thus this mutation can be referred to as K2040R. In most replication competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by locating the amino acid sequence GHVXN beginning at about amino acid 2037 in the HCV polyprotein, where the X in the amino acid is

30 arginine. A sixth adaptive mutation is an arginine at about amino acid 1188, which is about amino acid 162 of NS3. Most clinical HCV isolates and molecularly cloned laboratory HCV strains include a glycine at this position, thus this mutation can be referred to as G1188R. In most replication competent polynucleotides, the location of this adaptive mutation can also be determined by

locating the amino acid sequence VCTR beginning at about amino acid 1184 in the HCV polyprotein. In some aspects, the replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention includes the Q1067R and K1691R adaptive mutations, as well as the S2204I adaptive mutation. These adaptive mutations are summarized 5 in Table 2. A person of ordinary skill in the art recognizes that the precise location of these cell culture adaptive mutations can vary between members of different genotypes, and between members of the same genotype, thus the numbers shown in Table 2 are approximate, and can vary by 1, 2, 3, 4, or about 5.

10 Table 2. Adaptive Mutations

Symbol ¹	Protein / Residue ²	Mutation ³
QR	NS3/41	Q1067R
GR	NS3/162	G1188R
VI	NS3/629	V1655I
KR	NS4A/34	K1691R
KR ^{5A}	NS5A/68	K2040R
FV	NS5A/108	F2080V
SI	NS5A/232	S2204I

¹Symbol used to designate presence in RNA transcripts.

²Residue refers to position in protein after post-translational cleavage of the H77c polyprotein (GenBank accession AF011751).

³Number refers to position of mutation in H77c polyprotein before post-translational cleavage (GenBank accession AF011751).

There are many other adaptive mutations known to the art, and the replication competent polynucleotides of the present invention may include one or more of those adaptive mutations. Examples of known adaptive mutations can be 20 found in, for instance, Bartenschlager (U.S. Patent 6,630,343), Blight et al. (Science, 290, 1972-1975 (2000)), Lohmann et al., (Abstract P038, 7th International Meeting on Hepatitis C virus and Related viruses (Molecular Virology and Pathogenesis), December 3-7 (2000)), Guo et al. (Abstract P045, 7th International Meeting on Hepatitis C virus and Related viruses (Molecular

Virology and Pathogenesis), December 3-7 (2000)), Blight et al., (J. Virol. 77, 3181-3190 (2003)), Gu et al., (J. Virol. 77, 5352-5359 (2003)), and Grobler et al., (J. Biol. Chem., 278, 16741-16746 (Feb, 2003).

It is expected that polynucleotides encoding an HCV polyprotein can be obtained from different sources, including molecularly cloned laboratory strains, for instance cDNA clones of HCV, and clinical isolates. Examples of molecularly cloned laboratory strains include the HCV that is encoded by pCV-H77C (Yanagi et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 94, 8738-8743 (1997), Genbank accession number AF011751, SEQ ID NO:1), and pHCV-H (Inchauspe et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 88, 10292-10296 (1991), Genbank accession number M67463, SEQ ID NO:3). Clinical isolates can be from a source of infectious HCV, including tissue samples, for instance from blood, plasma, serum, liver biopsy, or leukocytes, from an infected animal, including a human or a primate. It is also expected that the polynucleotide encoding the HCV polyprotein present in a replication competent polynucleotide can be prepared by recombinant, enzymatic, or chemical techniques. The nucleotide sequence of molecularly cloned laboratory strains and clinical isolates can be modified to encode an HCV polyprotein that includes the S2204I adaptive mutation and one or more of the adaptive mutations described herein. Such methods are routine and known to the art and include, for instance, PCR mutagenesis.

The present invention further includes replication competent polynucleotides encoding an HCV polyprotein having similarity with the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:4 (in the case of a full length polyprotein), or a portion thereof (in the case of an HCV polyprotein encoding, for instance, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B, and not encoding core, E1, E2, P7, and NS2). The similarity is referred to as structural similarity and is generally determined by aligning the residues of the two amino acid sequences (i.e., a candidate amino acid sequence and the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:4, or a portion thereof) to optimize the number of identical amino acids along the lengths of their sequences; gaps in either or both sequences are permitted in making the alignment in order to optimize the number of identical amino acids, although the amino acids in each sequence must nonetheless remain in their proper order. A candidate amino acid sequence is the amino acid sequence being compared to an amino acid sequence present in SEQ ID NO:2,

SEQ ID NO:4, or a portion thereof. A candidate amino acid sequence can be isolated from a cell infected with a hepatitis C virus, or can be produced using recombinant techniques, or chemically or enzymatically synthesized. Preferably, two amino acid sequences are compared using the Blastp program of the BLAST 5 search algorithm, as described by Tatusova, et al. (*FEMS Microbiol Lett* 1999, 174:247-250), and available at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gorf/bl2.html>. Preferably, the default values for all BLAST 2 search parameters are used, including matrix = BLOSUM62; open gap penalty = 11, extension gap penalty = 10, gap x_dropoff = 50, expect = 10, wordsize = 3, and optionally, filter on. In the 10 comparison of two amino acid sequences using the BLAST search algorithm, structural similarity is referred to as "identities." An HCV polyprotein may include an amino acid sequence having a structural similarity with SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:4, or a portion thereof, of at least about 90 %, for example 91%, 92%, 93% identity, and so on to 100 % identity. A replication competent 15 polynucleotide having a 5' NTR of SEQ ID NO:9, a 3' NTR of SEQ ID NO:8, and HCV polyprotein with structural similarity with SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:4, or a portion thereof, is replication competent in a cell derived from a human hepatoma such as Huh-7 and Huh-7.5. An HCV polyprotein having structural 20 similarity with the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2, SEQ ID NO:4, or a portion thereof, includes the S2204I adaptive mutation and one or more of the adaptive mutations described herein. Such an HCV polyprotein may optionally include other adaptive mutations.

In some aspects, the coding sequence of a replication competent 25 polynucleotide of the present invention that encodes a hepatitis C virus polyprotein is not a specific genotype. For instance, a polynucleotide encoding an HCV polyprotein present in a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention can be genotype 1a, 1b, 1c, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a, 3b, 4, 5a, or 6a (as defined by Simmonds, *Hepatology*, 21, 570-583 (1995)). In other aspects, the HCV 30 polyprotein is genotype 1a. Methods for determining the genotype of a hepatitis C virus are routine and known to the art and include, for instance, serotyping the virus particle using antibody, and/or evaluation of the nucleotide sequence by, for instance, polymerase chain reaction assays (see Simmonds, *J. Hepatol.*, 31(Suppl. 1), 54-60 (1999)).

The present invention includes polynucleotides encoding an amino acid sequence having similarity to an HCV polyprotein. The similarity is referred to as structural similarity and is determined by aligning the residues of two polynucleotides (e.g., the nucleotide sequence of the candidate coding region and 5 nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:1 or nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:3) to optimize the number of identical nucleotides along the lengths of their sequences; gaps in either or both sequences are permitted in making the alignment in order to optimize the number of shared nucleotides, although the nucleotides in each sequence must nonetheless remain in their proper order. A candidate coding 10 region is the coding region being compared to a coding region present in SEQ ID NO:1 (e.g., nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:1). A candidate nucleotide sequence can be isolated from a cell, or can be produced using recombinant techniques, or chemically or enzymatically synthesized. Preferably, two nucleotide sequences are compared using the Blastn program of the BLAST 2 15 search algorithm, as described by Tatusova, et al. (*FEMS Microbiol Lett* 1999, 174:247-250), and available at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gorf/bl2.html>. Preferably, the default values for all BLAST 2 search parameters are used, including reward for match = 1, penalty for mismatch = -2, open gap penalty = 5, extension gap penalty = 2, gap x_dropoff = 50, expect = 10, wordsize = 11, and 20 optionally, filter on. In the comparison of two nucleotide sequences using the BLAST search algorithm, structural similarity is referred to as "identities."

The present invention also includes polynucleotides encoding the HCV polyproteins described herein, including, for instance, the polyproteins having the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2 and SEQ ID NO:4. An example of 25 the class of nucleotide sequences encoding each of these polyproteins are nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:1 and nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:3, respectively. These classes of nucleotide sequences are large but finite, and the nucleotide sequence of each member of the class can be readily determined by one skilled in the art by reference to the standard genetic code.

30 A replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention includes a 5' non-translated region (NTR) (see Smith et al., *J. Gen. Virol.*, 76, 1749-1761 (1995)). A 5' NTR is typically about 341 nucleotides in length. A replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention also includes a 3' NTR. A 3' NTR typically includes, from 5' to 3', nucleotides of variable length and sequence

(referred to as the variable region), a poly-pyrimidine tract (the poly U-UC region), and a highly conserved sequence of about 100 nucleotides (the conserved region) (see, for instance, Lemon et al., U.S. Published Application US 2003 0125541, and Yi and Lemon, *J. Virol.*, 77, 3557-3568 (2003)). The variable
5 region begins at about the first nucleotide following the stop codon of the HCV polyprotein, and generally ends immediately before the nucleotides of the poly U-UC region. The poly U-UC region is a stretch of predominantly U residues, CU residues, or C(U)_n-repeats. When the nucleotide sequence of a variable region is compared between members of the same genotype, there is typically a great deal
10 of similarity; however, there is typically very little similarity in the nucleotide sequence of the variable regions between members of different genotypes (see, for instance, Yamada et al., *Virology*, 223, 255-261 (1996)).

It is expected that a 5' NTR and a 3' NTR can be obtained from different sources, including molecularly cloned laboratory strains, for instance cDNA
15 clones of HCV, and clinical isolates. Examples of molecularly cloned laboratory strains include the HCV that is encoded by pCV-H77C (Yanagi et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 94, 8738-8743 (1997), Genbank accession number AF011751, SEQ ID NO:1, where nucleotides 1-341 are the 5' NTR and nucleotides 9378-9599 are the 3' NTR), and pHCV-H (Inchauspe et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*,
20 88, 10292-10296 (1991), Genbank accession number M67463, SEQ ID NO:3, where nucleotides 1-341 are the 5' NTR and nucleotides 9378-9416 are the 3' NTR). Clinical isolates can be from a source of infectious HCV, including tissue samples, for instance from blood, plasma, serum, liver biopsy, or leukocytes, from an infected animal, including a human or a primate. It is also expected that the
25 polynucleotide encoding the HCV polyprotein present in a replication competent polynucleotide can be prepared by recombinant, enzymatic, or chemical techniques.

In some aspects, a 5' NTR and a 3' NTR of a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention is not a specific genotype. For instance, a
30 5' NTR and a 3' NTR present in a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention can be genotype 1a, 1b, 1c, 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a, 3b, 4, 5a, or 6a (as defined by Simmons, *Hepatology*, 21, 570-583 (1995)). In other aspects, the HCV polyprotein is genotype 1a. Methods for determining the genotype of a 5' NTR and a 3' NTR are routine and known to the art and include evaluation of the

nucleotide sequence for specific nucleotides that are characteristic of a specific genotype.

In some aspects of the invention a replication competent polynucleotide includes a second coding region. The second coding sequence may be present in 5 the 3'NTR, for instance, in the variable region of the 3'NTR. In some aspects of the invention, the second coding region is present in the variable region such that the variable region is not removed. Alternatively, the second coding region replaces the variable region in whole or in part. In some aspects of the invention, for instance, when the HCV has the genotype 1a, the second coding region is 10 inserted in the variable region between nucleotides 5 and 6 of the sequence 5' CUCUUAAGC 3', where the sequence shown corresponds to the positive-strand.

In some aspects of the invention, the second coding region is present in a replication competent polynucleotide downstream of the 5' NTR, and upstream of the first coding region, i.e., the coding region encoding a HCV polyprotein. For 15 instance, the first nucleotide of the second coding region may be immediately downstream and adjacent to the last nucleotide of the 5' NTR. Alternatively, the first nucleotide of the second coding region may be further downstream of the last nucleotide of the 5' NTR, for instance, about 2 to about 51 nucleotides, about 33 to about 51 nucleotides, or about 36 to about 48 nucleotides downstream of the last 20 nucleotide of the 5' NTR. Typically, when the first nucleotide of the second coding region is not immediately downstream of the last nucleotide of the 5' NTR, the nucleotides in between the 5' NTR and the second coding region encode the amino terminal amino acids of the HCV core polypeptide. For instance, the 5' end of the second coding region may further include about 33 to about 51 nucleotides, 25 or about 36 to about 48 nucleotides, that encode the first about 11 to about 17, or about 12 to about 16, amino acids of the core polypeptide. The result is a fusion polypeptide made up of amino terminal amino acids of the core polypeptide and the polypeptide encoded by the second coding region (see, for instance, Yi et al., Virol., 304, 197-210 (2002), and U.S. Published Application US 2003 0125541). 30 Without intending to be limiting, it is believed the presence of the nucleotides from the core coding sequence act to enhance translation the polypeptide encoded by the second coding region.

In those aspects of the invention where the second coding region present in a replication competent polynucleotide is present downstream of the 5' NTR and

upstream of the coding region encoding the HCV polyprotein, the replication competent polynucleotide typically includes a regulatory region operably linked to the downstream coding region, e.g., the coding region encoding the HCV polyprotein. Preferably, the regulatory region provides for the translation of the 5 downstream coding region. The size of the regulatory region may be from about 400 nucleotides to about 800 nucleotide, more preferably, about 600 nucleotides to about 700 nucleotides. Typically, the regulatory region is an IRES. Examples of IRES elements are described herein.

The second coding region can encode a polypeptide including, for 10 instance, a marker, including a detectable marker and/or a selectable marker. Examples of detectable markers include molecules having a detectable enzymatic activity, for instance, secretory alkaline phosphatase, molecules having a detectable fluorescence, for instance, green or red or blue fluorescent protein, and molecules that can be detected by antibody. Examples of selectable markers 15 include molecules that confer resistance to antibiotics able to inhibit the replication of eukaryotic cells, including the antibiotics kanamycin, ampicillin, chloramphenicol, tetracycline, blasticidin, neomycin, and formulations of phleomycin D1 including, for example, the formulation available under the trade-name ZEOCIN (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, California). Coding sequences encoding 20 such markers are known to the art. Other examples of polypeptides that can be encoded by the second coding region include a transactivator, and/or a fusion polypeptide. Preferably, when the polypeptide is a fusion polypeptide, the second coding region includes nucleotides encoding a marker, more preferably, nucleotides encoding a fusion between a transactivator and a marker.

25 Transactivators are described herein below. Optionally, the coding region can encode an immunogenic polypeptide. A replication competent polynucleotide containing a second coding region is typically dicistronic, i.e., the coding region encoding the HCV polyprotein and the second coding region are separate.

An "immunogenic polypeptide" refers to a polypeptide which elicits an 30 immunological response in an animal. An immunological response to a polypeptide is the development in a subject of a cellular and/or antibody-mediated immune response to the polypeptide. Usually, an immunological response includes but is not limited to one or more of the following effects: the production

of antibodies, B cells, helper T cells, suppressor T cells, and/or cytotoxic T cells, directed specifically to an epitope or epitopes of the polypeptide fragment.

A transactivator is a polypeptide that affects in *trans* the expression of a coding region, preferably a coding region integrated in the genomic DNA of a cell. Such coding regions are referred to herein as "transactivated coding regions." The cells containing transactivated coding regions are described in detail herein below. Transactivators useful in the present invention include those that can interact with a regulatory region, preferably an operator sequence, that is operably linked to a transactivated coding region. As used herein, the term "transactivator" includes polypeptides that interact with an operator sequence and either prevent transcription from initiating at, activate transcription initiation from, or stabilize a transcript from, a transactivated coding region operably linked to the operator sequence. Examples of useful transactivators include the HIV tat polypeptide (see, for example, the polypeptides

15 MEPVDPRLPKHPGSQPKTACTNCYCKCCFHCQVCFITKALGISYGRK
KRRQRRRAHQNSQTHQASLSKQPTSQPRGDPTGPKE (SEQ ID NO:5) which is encoded by nucleotides 5377 to 5591 and 7925 to 7970 of Genbank accession number AF033819), and

MEPVDPRLPKHPGSQPKTACTNCYCKCCFHCQVCFITKALGISYGRK

20 KRRQRRRPPQGSQTHQVSLSKQPTSQRGDPTGPKE (SEQ ID NO:10). The HIV tat polypeptide interacts with the HIV long terminal repeat (LTR). Other useful transactivators include human T cell leukemia virus tax polypeptide (which binds to the operator sequence tax response element, Fujisawa et al., *J. Virol.*, 65, 4525-4528 (1991)), and transactivating polypeptides encoded by spumaviruses in

25 the region between env and the LTR, such as the bel-1 polypeptide in the case of human foamy virus (which binds to the U3 domain of these viruses, Rethwilm et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 88, 941-945 (1991)). Alternatively, a post-transcriptional transactivator, such as HIV rev, can be used. HIV rev binds to a 234 nucleotide RNA sequence in the env gene (the rev-response element, or RRE) of HIV (Hadzopolou-Cladaras et al., *J. Virol.*, 63, 1265-1274 (1989)).

Other transactivators that can be used are those having similarity with the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5 or SEQ ID NO:10. The similarity is generally determined as described herein above. A candidate amino acid sequence that is being compared to an amino acid sequence present in SEQ ID

NO:5 or SEQ ID NO:10 can be isolated from a virus, or can be produced using recombinant techniques, or chemically or enzymatically synthesized. Preferably, two amino acid sequences are compared using the Blastp program of the BLAST 2 search algorithm, as described herein above. Preferably, a transactivator

5 includes an amino acid sequence having a structural similarity with SEQ ID NO:5 or SEQ ID NO:10, of at least about 90 %, at least about 94 %, at least about 96 %, at least about 97 %, at least about 98 %, or at least about 99 % identity. Typically, an amino acid sequence having a structural similarity with SEQ ID NO: 5 or SEQ ID NO:10 has tat activity. Whether such a polypeptide has activity can be

10 evaluated by determining if the amino acid sequence can interact with an HIV LTR, preferably alter transcription from a coding sequence operably linked to an HIV LTR. Useful HIV LTRs are described herein.

Active analogs or active fragments of a transactivator can be used in the invention. An active analog or active fragment of a transactivator is one that is

15 able to interact with an operator sequence and either prevent transcription from initiating at, activate transcription initiation from, or stabilize a transcript from, a transactivated coding region operably linked to the operator sequence.

Active analogs of a transactivator include polypeptides having conservative amino acid substitutions that do not eliminate the ability to interact

20 with an operator and alter transcription. Substitutes for an amino acid may be selected from other members of the class to which the amino acid belongs. For example, nonpolar (hydrophobic) amino acids include alanine, leucine, isoleucine, valine, proline, phenylalanine, tryptophan, and tyrosine. Polar neutral amino acids include glycine, serine, threonine, cysteine, tyrosine, aspartate, and glutamate.

25 The positively charged (basic) amino acids include arginine, lysine, and histidine. The negatively charged (acidic) amino acids include aspartic acid and glutamic acid. Examples of preferred conservative substitutions include Lys for Arg and *vice versa* to maintain a positive charge; Glu for Asp and *vice versa* to maintain a negative charge; Ser for Thr so that a free -OH is maintained; and Gln for Asn to

30 maintain a free NH₂.

Active fragments of a transactivator include a portion of the transactivator containing deletions or additions of about 1, about 2, about 3, about 4, or at least about 5 contiguous or noncontiguous amino acids such that the resulting transactivator will alter expression of an operably linked transactivated coding

region. A preferred example of an active fragment of the HIV tat polypeptide includes amino acids amino acids 1-48 of SEQ ID NO: 5, or amino acids 1-48 of SEQ ID NO:10.

In those aspects of the invention where the second coding region encodes a fusion polypeptide, the fusion polypeptide can further include amino acids corresponding to a *cis*-active proteinase. When the fusion polypeptide is a fusion between a transactivator and a marker, preferably the fusion polypeptide also includes amino acids corresponding to a *cis*-active proteinase. Preferably the amino acids corresponding to a *cis*-active proteinase are present between the amino acids corresponding to the transactivator and the marker. A *cis*-active proteinase in this position allows the amino acids corresponding to the transactivator and the marker to be physically separate from each other in the cell within which the replication competent polynucleotide is present. Examples of *cis*-active proteinases that are useful in the present invention include the *cis*-active 2A proteinase of foot-and-mouth disease (FMDV) virus (see, for example, US Patent 5,846,767 (Halpin et al.) and US Patent 5,912,167 (Palmenberg et al.)), ubiquitin (see, for example, Taz et al., *Virology*, 197, 74-85 (1993)), and the NS3 recognition site GADTEDVVCCSMSY (SEQ ID NO:6) (see, for example, Lai et al., *J. Virol.*, 74, 6339-6347 (2000)).

Active analogs and active fragments of *cis*-active proteinases can also be used. Active analogs of a *cis*-acting proteinase include polypeptides having conservative amino acid substitutions that do not eliminate the ability of the proteinase to catalyze cleavage. Active fragments of a *cis*-active proteinase include a portion of the *cis*-active proteinase containing deletions or additions of one or more contiguous or noncontiguous amino acids such that the resulting *cis*-active proteinase will catalyze the cleavage of the proteinase.

In some aspects of the invention, the second coding region may further include an operably linked regulatory region. Preferably, a regulatory region located 5' of the operably linked coding region provides for the translation of the coding region.

A preferred regulatory region located 5' of an operably linked second coding region is an internal ribosome entry site (IRES). An IRES allows a ribosome access to mRNA without a requirement for cap recognition and subsequent scanning to the initiator AUG (Pelletier, et al., *Nature*, 334, 320-325

(1988)). An IRES is located upstream of the translation initiation codon, e.g., ATG or AUG, of the coding sequence to which the IRES is operably linked. The distance between the IRES and the initiation codon is dependent on the type of IRES used, and is known to the art. For instance, poliovirus IRES initiates a 5 ribosome translocation/scanning process to a downstream AUG codon. For other IRES elements, the initiator codon is generally located at the 3' end of the IRES sequence. Examples of an IRES that can be used in the invention include a viral IRES, preferably a picornaviral IRES or a flaviviral IRES. Examples of poliovirus IRES elements include, for instance, poliovirus IRES, 10 encephalomyocarditis virus IRES, or hepatitis A virus IRES. Examples of preferred flaviviral IRES elements include hepatitis C virus IRES, GB virus B IRES, or a pestivirus IRES, including but not limited to bovine viral diarrhea virus IRES or classical swine fever virus IRES. Other IRES elements with similar secondary and tertiary structure and translation initiation activity can either be 15 generated by mutation of these viral sequences, by cloning of analogous sequences from other viruses (including picornaviruses), or prepared by enzymatic synthesis techniques.

The size of the second coding region is not critical to the invention. It is expected there is no lower limit on the size of the second coding region, and that 20 there is an upper limit on the size of the second coding region. This upper limit can be easily determined by a person skilled in the art, as second coding region that are greater than this upper limit adversely affect replication of a replication competent polynucleotide. The second coding region is typically at least about 10 nucleotides, at least about 20 nucleotides, at least about 30 nucleotides, or at least 25 about 40 nucleotides.

A replication competent polynucleotide may also include a nucleotide sequence having cis-acting ribozyme activity. Such a ribozyme is typically present at the 3' end of the 3' NTR of a replication competent polynucleotide, and generates a precise 3' terminal end of the replication competent polynucleotide 30 when it is an RNA molecule by cleaving the junction between the replication competent polynucleotide and the ribozyme. This can be advantageous when the replication competent polynucleotide is to be used for a transient transfection. Since the ribozyme catalyzes its own removal from the RNA molecule, this type

of ribozyme is present only when a replication competent polynucleotide is a DNA molecule.

The replication competent polynucleotide of the invention can be present in a vector. When a replication competent polynucleotide is present in a vector 5 the polynucleotide is DNA, including the 5' non-translated RNA and the 3' non-translated RNA, and, if present, the second coding sequence. Methods for cloning and/or inserting hepatitis C virus sequences into a vector are known to the art (see, e.g., Yanagi et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., USA*, 94, 8738-8743 (1997); and Rice et al., (U.S. Patent 6,127,116)). Such constructs are often referred to as 10 molecularly cloned laboratory strains, and an HCV that is inserted into a vector is often referred to as a cDNA clone of the HCV. If the RNA encoded by the HCV is able to replicate *in vivo*, the HCV present in the vector is referred to as an infectious cDNA clone. A vector is a replicating polynucleotide, such as a plasmid, phage, cosmid, or artificial chromosome to which another polynucleotide 15 may be attached so as to bring about the replication of the attached polynucleotide. A vector can provide for further cloning (amplification of the polynucleotide), i.e., a cloning vector, or for expression of the polypeptide encoded by the coding region, i.e., an expression vector. The term vector includes, but is not limited to, plasmid vectors, viral vectors, cosmid vectors, or 20 artificial chromosome vectors. Preferably the vector is a plasmid. Preferably the vector is able to replicate in a prokaryotic host cell, for instance *Escherichia coli*. Preferably, the vector can integrate in the genomic DNA of a eukaryotic cell.

An expression vector optionally includes regulatory sequences operably linked to the replication competent polynucleotide such that it is transcribed to 25 produce RNA molecules. These RNA molecules can be used, for instance, for introducing a replication competent polynucleotide into a cell that is in an animal or growing in culture. The terms "introduce" and "introducing" refer to providing a replication competent polynucleotide to a cell under conditions that the polynucleotide is taken up by the cell in such a way that it can then replicate. The 30 replication competent polynucleotide can be present in a virus particle, or can be a nucleic acid molecule, for instance, RNA. The invention is not limited by the use of any particular promoter, and a wide variety are known. Promoters act as regulatory signals that bind RNA polymerase in a cell to initiate transcription of a downstream (3' direction) HCV. The promoter used in the invention can be a

constitutive or an inducible promoter. A preferred promoter for the production of replication competent polynucleotide as an RNA molecule is a T7 promoter.

The present invention includes methods for identifying a replication competent polynucleotide, including detecting and/or selecting for cells

5 containing a replication competent polynucleotide. Typically, the cells used in this aspect of the invention are primate or human cells growing in culture. Useful cultured cells will support the replication of the polynucleotides of the present invention, and include primary human or chimpanzee hepatocytes, peripheral mononuclear cells, cultured human lymphoid cell lines (for instance lines

10 expressing B-cell and T-cell markers such as Bjab and Molt-4 cells), and continuous cell lines derived from such cells, including HPBMA10-2 and Daudi (Shimizu et al., *J. Gen. Virol.*, 79, 1383-1386 (1998), and MT-2 (Kato et al., *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.*, 206, 863-869 (1995)). Other useful cells include those derived from a human hepatoma cells, for instance, Huh-7 (see, for

15 instance, Lohmann et al. (*Science*, 285, 110-113 (1999)), Huh-7.5 (see, for instance, Blight et al., *J. Virol.*, 76, 13001-13014 (2002), and Blight et al., *J. Virol.*, 77, 3183-3190 (2003)), HepG2 and IMY-N9 (Date et al., *J. Biol. Chem.*, 279, 22371-22376 (2004)), and PH5CH8 (Ikeda et al., *Virus Res.*, 56, 157-167 (1998)). In general, useful cells include those that support replication of HCV RNA,

20 including, for instance, replication of the HCV encoded by pCV-H77C, replication of the HCV encoded by pHCV-N as modified by Beard et al. (*Hepatol.*, 30, 316-324 (1999)), or replication of such an HCV modified to contain one or more adaptive mutations.

In some aspects of the invention, the cultured cell includes a

25 polynucleotide that includes a coding region, the expression of which is controlled by a transactivator. Such a coding region is referred to herein as a transactivated coding region. A transactivated coding region encodes a marker, such as a detectable marker, for example, secretory alkaline phosphatase (SEAP), an example of which is encoded by nucleotides 748-2239 of SEQ ID NO:7 (see Fig. 9). Typically, a cultured cell that includes a polynucleotide having a transactivated coding region is used in conjunction with a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention that includes a coding region encoding a transactivator.

The polynucleotide that includes the transactivated coding region can be present integrated into the genomic DNA of the cell, or present as part of a vector that is not integrated. Methods of modifying a cell to contain an integrated DNA are known to the art (see, for instance, Lemon et al., U.S. Published Application 5 US 2003 0125541, and Yi et al., Virol., 302, 197-210 (2002)).

Operably linked to the transactivated coding region is an operator sequence. The interaction of a transactivator with an operator sequence can alter transcription of the operably linked transactivated coding region. In those aspects of the invention where a transactivator increases transcription, there is typically 10 low transcription, or, essentially no transcription, of the transactivated coding region in the absence of a transactivator. An operator sequence can be present upstream (5') or downstream (3') of a transactivated coding region. An operator sequence can be a promoter, or can be a nucleotide sequence that is present in addition to a promoter.

15 In some aspects of the invention, the operator sequence that is operably linked to a transactivated coding sequence is an HIV long terminal repeat (LTR). An example of an HIV LTR is depicted at nucleotides 1-719 of SEQ ID NO:7. Also included in the present invention are operator sequences having similarity to nucleotides 1-719 of SEQ ID NO:7. The similarity between two nucleotides 20 sequences may be determined by aligning the residues of the two polynucleotides (i.e., the nucleotide sequence of the candidate operator sequence and the nucleotide sequence of nucleotides 1-719 of SEQ ID NO:7) to optimize the number of identical nucleotides along the lengths of their sequences; gaps in either or both sequences are permitted in making the alignment in order to optimize the 25 number of shared nucleotides, although the nucleotides in each sequence must nonetheless remain in their proper order. A candidate operator sequence can be isolated from a cell, or can be produced using recombinant techniques, or chemically or enzymatically synthesized. Preferably, two nucleotide sequences are compared using the Blastn program of the BLAST 2 search algorithm, as 30 described by Tatusova, et al. (*FEMS Microbiol Lett* 1999, 174:247-250), and available at <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gorf/bl2.html>. Preferably, the default values for all BLAST 2 search parameters are used, including reward for match = 1, penalty for mismatch = -2, open gap penalty = 5, extension gap penalty = 2, gap x_dropoff = 50, expect = 10, wordsize = 11, and filter on. In the comparison of

two nucleotide sequences using the BLAST search algorithm, structural similarity is referred to as "identities." Preferably, an operator sequence includes a nucleotide sequence having a structural similarity with the nucleotides 1-719 of SEQ ID NO:7 of at least about 90 %, at least about 95 %, or at least about 99 %
5 identity. Typically, an operator sequence having structural similarity with the nucleotides 1-719 of SEQ ID NO:7 has transcriptional activity. Whether such an operator sequence has transcriptional activity can be determined by evaluating the ability of the operator sequence to alter transcription of an operably linked coding sequence in response to the presence of a polypeptide having tat activity,
10 preferably, a polypeptide including the amino acids of SEQ ID NO:5 or SEQ ID NO:10.

A selecting agent may be used to inhibit the replication of cultured cells that support the replication of polynucleotides of the present invention. Examples of selecting agents include antibiotics, including kanamycin, ampicillin,
15 chloramphenicol, tetracycline, neomycin, and formulations of phleomycin D1. A selecting agent can act to prevent replication of a cell, or kill a cell, while the agent is present and the cell does not express a molecule that provides resistance to the selecting agent. Typically, the molecule providing resistance to a selecting agent is expressed in the cell by a replication competent polynucleotide of the
20 present invention. Alternatively, the molecule providing resistance to a selecting agent is expressed by the cell but the expression of the molecule is controlled by a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention that is present in the cell. The concentration of the selecting agent is typically chosen such that a cell does not replicate if it does not contain a molecule providing resistance to a
25 selecting agent. The appropriate concentration of a selecting agent varies depending on the particular selecting agent, and can be easily determined by one having ordinary skill in the art using known techniques.

When a polynucleotide is introduced into a cell that is growing in culture, the polynucleotide can be introduced using techniques known to the art. Such
30 techniques include, for instance, liposome and non-liposome mediated transfection. Non-liposome mediated transfection methods include, for instance, electroporation.

In some aspects of the invention, when a replication competent polynucleotide is identified using cultured cells, its ability to replicate may be

verified by introducing the replication competent polynucleotide into a cell present in an animal, preferably a chimpanzee. When the cell is present in the body of an animal, the replication competent polynucleotide can be introduced by, for instance, subcutaneous, intramuscular, intraperitoneal, intravenous, or

5 percutaneous intrahepatic administration, preferably by percutaneous intrahepatic administration. Methods for determining whether a replication competent polynucleotide is able to replicate in a chimpanzee are known to the art (see, for example, Yanagi et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 94, 8738-8743 (1997)). In general, the demonstration of infectivity is based on the appearance of the virus in

10 the circulation of the chimpanzee over the days and weeks following the intrahepatic injection of the replication competent polynucleotide. The presence of the virus can be confirmed by reverse transcription-polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR) detection of the viral RNA, by inoculation of a second chimpanzee with transfer of the hepatitis C virus infection as indicated by the appearance of

15 liver disease and seroconversion to hepatitis C virus in ELISA tests, or possibly by the immunologic detection of components of the hepatitis C virus (e.g., the core protein) in the circulation of the inoculated animal. It should be noted that seroconversion by itself is generally not a useful indicator of infection in an animal injected with a viral RNA produced using a molecularly cloned laboratory

20 strain, as this RNA may have immunizing properties and be capable of inducing HCV-specific antibodies to proteins translated from an input RNA that is non-replicating. Similarly, the absence of seroconversion does not exclude the possibility of viral replication and infection of a chimpanzee with HCV.

Whether a polynucleotide is replication competent can be determined

25 using methods known to the art, including methods that use nucleic acid amplification to detect the result of increased levels of replication. For instance, transient transfection of a cell with a replication competent polynucleotide permits measurement of the production of additional polynucleotides. Methods for transient transfection of a cell with a replication competent polynucleotide and for

30 assay of subsequent replication are known to the art. In some aspects of the invention, another method for detecting a replication competent polynucleotide includes measuring the production of viral particles by a cell. The measurement of viral particles can be accomplished by passage of supernatant from media containing a cell culture that may contain a replication competent polynucleotide,

and using the supernatant to infect a second cell. Detection of the polynucleotide or viral particles in the second cell indicates the initial cell contains a replication competent polynucleotide. The production of infectious virus particles by a cell can also be measured using antibody that specifically binds to an HCV viral particle. As used herein, an antibody that can "specifically bind" an HCV viral particle is an antibody that interacts only with the epitope of the antigen (e.g., the viral particle or a polypeptide that makes up the particle) that induced the synthesis of the antibody, or interacts with a structurally related epitope.

"Epitope" refers to the site on an antigen to which specific B cells and/or T cells respond so that antibody is produced. An epitope could include about 3 amino acids in a spatial conformation which is unique to the epitope. Generally an epitope includes at least about 5 such amino acids, and more usually, consists of at least about 8-10 such amino acids. Antibodies to HCV viral particles can be produced as described herein.

In another aspect, identifying a replication competent polynucleotide includes incubating a cultured cell that includes a polynucleotide of the present invention. In those aspects of the invention where the replication competent polynucleotide includes a second coding region encoding a detectable marker, cells containing the replication competent polynucleotide can be identified by observing individual cells that contain the detectable marker. Alternatively, if the detectable marker is secreted by the cell, the presence of the marker in the medium in which the cell is incubated can be detected. Methods for observing the presence or absence of a detectable marker in a cell or in liquid media are known to the art.

Another aspect of the invention provides for the positive selection of cells that include a replication competent polynucleotide. In this aspect of the invention, a replication competent polynucleotide typically includes a second coding sequence encoding a selectable marker, and the cell which includes the replication competent polynucleotide is incubated in the presence of a selecting agent. Those cells that can replicate in the presence of the selecting agent contain a polynucleotide that is replication competent. The cells that can replicate are detected by allowing resistant cells to grow in the presence of the selecting agent, and observing, for instance, the presence of colonies and/or the expression of a marker, such as SEAP.

In some aspects, the method may further include isolating virus particles from the cells that contain a replication competent polynucleotide and exposing a second cell to the isolated virus particle under conditions such that the virus particle is introduced to the cell. After providing time for expression of the 5 selectable marker, the second cell is then incubated with the selecting agent. The presence of a cell that replicates indicates the replication competent polynucleotide produces infectious virus particles.

In another aspect, the invention provides a method for detecting a replication competent polynucleotide. The method includes incubating a cell that 10 contains a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention. The polynucleotide may include a second coding region encoding a selectable or detectable marker. Optionally, the polynucleotide may include a transactivator that interacts with the operator sequence present in the cell. In this aspect, the cell may include a transactivated coding region and an operator sequence operably 15 linked to the transactivated coding region. The method further includes detecting the presence of increased amounts of the replication competent polynucleotide, or the presence or absence of the marker encoded by the second coding sequence or the transactivated coding region present in the cell. The presence of increased amounts of the replication competent polynucleotide or the marker indicates the 20 cell includes a replication competent polynucleotide.

The methods described above for identifying a replication competent polynucleotide can also be used for identifying a variant replication competent polynucleotide, i.e., a replication competent polynucleotide that is derived from a replication competent polynucleotide of the present invention. A variant 25 replication competent polynucleotide may have a faster replication rate than the parent or input polynucleotide. The method takes advantage of the inherently high mutation rate of RNA replication. It is expected that during continued culture of a replication competent polynucleotide in cultured cells, the polynucleotide of the present invention may mutate, and some mutations will 30 result in polynucleotides with greater replication rates. The method includes identifying a cell that has greater expression of a polypeptide encoded by a replication competent polynucleotide. A polynucleotide of the present invention that replicates at a faster rate will result in more of the polynucleotide in the cell, or will result in more of the polypeptide(s) that is encoded by the second coding

region present in the polynucleotide. For instance, when a replication competent polynucleotide encodes a selectable marker, a cell containing a variant polynucleotide having a greater replication rate will be resistant to higher levels of an appropriate selecting agent. When a polynucleotide encodes a transactivator, a 5 cell containing a variant polynucleotide having a greater replication rate than the parent or input polynucleotide will express higher amounts of the transactivated coding region that is present in the cell.

A cDNA molecule of a variant replication competent polynucleotide can be cloned using methods known to the art (see, for instance, Yanagi et al., *Proc. 10 Natl. Acad. Sci., USA*, 94, 8738-8743 (1997)). The nucleotide sequence of the cloned cDNA can be determined using methods known to the art, and compared with that of the input RNA. This allows identification of mutations that have occurred in association with passage of the replication competent polynucleotide in cell culture. For example, using methods known to the art, including longrange 15 RT-PCR, extended portions of a variant replication competent polynucleotide genome can be obtained. Multiple clones could be obtained from each segment of the genome, and the dominant sequence present in the culture determined. Mutations that are identified by this approach can then be reintroduced into the background of the cDNA encoding the parent or input polynucleotide.

20 The present invention also provides methods for identifying a compound that inhibits replication of a replication competent polynucleotide. The method includes contacting a cell containing a replication competent polynucleotide with a compound and incubating the cell under conditions that permit replication of the replication competent polynucleotide in the absence of the compound. After a 25 period of time sufficient to allow replication of the polynucleotide, the replication competent polynucleotide is detected. A decrease in the presence of replication competent polynucleotide in the cell contacted with the compound relative to the presence of replication competent polynucleotide in a cell not contacted by the compound indicates the compound inhibits replication of the polynucleotide. A 30 compound that inhibits replication of such a polynucleotide includes compounds that completely prevent replication, as well as compounds that decrease replication. Preferably, a compound inhibits replication of a replication competent polynucleotide by at least about 50%, more preferably at least about 75%, most preferably at least about 95%.

The compounds added to a cell can be a wide range of molecules and is not a limiting aspect of the invention. Compounds include, for instance, a polyketide, a non-ribosomal peptide, a polypeptide, a polynucleotide (for instance an antisense oligonucleotide or ribozyme), other organic molecules, or a combination thereof. The sources for compounds to be screened can include, for example, chemical compound libraries, fermentation media of *Streptomyces*, other bacteria and fungi, and extracts of eukaryotic or prokaryotic cells. When the compound is added to the cell is also not a limiting aspect of the invention. For instance, the compound can be added to a cell that contains a replication competent polynucleotide. Alternatively, the compound can be added to a cell before or at the same time that the replication competent polynucleotide is introduced to the cell.

Typically, the ability of a compound to inhibit replication of a replication competent polynucleotide is measured using methods described herein. For instance, methods that use nucleic acid amplification to detect the amount of a replication competent polynucleotide in a cell can be used. Alternatively, methods that detect or select for a marker encoded by a replication competent polynucleotide or encoded by a cell containing a replication competent polynucleotide can be used.

In some aspects of the invention, the replication competent polynucleotide of the invention can be used to produce viral particles. Preferably, the viral particles are infectious. For instance, a cell that includes a replication competent polynucleotide can be incubated under conditions that allow the polynucleotide to replicate, and the viral particles that are produced can be isolated using methods routine and known to the art. The viral particles can be used as a source of virus particles for various assays, including evaluating methods for inactivating particles, excluding particles from serum, identifying a neutralizing compound, and as an antigen for use in detecting anti-HCV antibodies in an animal. An example of using a viral particle as an antigen includes use as a positive-control in assays that test for the presence of anti-HCV antibodies.

For instance, the activity of compounds that neutralize or inactivate the particles can be evaluated by measuring the ability of the molecule to prevent the particles from infecting cells growing in culture or in cells in an animal.

Inactivating compounds include detergents and solvents that solubilize the

envelope of a viral particle. Inactivating compounds are often used in the production of blood products and cell-free blood products. Examples of compounds that can be neutralizing include a polyketide, a non-ribosomal peptide, a polypeptide (for instance, an antibody), a polynucleotide (for instance, an antisense oligonucleotide or ribozyme), or other organic molecules. Preferably, a neutralizing compound is an antibody, including polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies, as well as variations thereof including, for instance, single chain antibodies and Fab fragments.

Viral particles produced by replication competent polynucleotide of the invention can be used to produce antibodies. Laboratory methods for producing polyclonal and monoclonal antibodies are known in the art (see, for instance, Harlow E. et al. *Antibodies: A laboratory manual* Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor (1988) and Ausubel, R.M., ed. *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology* (1994)), and include, for instance, immunizing an animal with a virus particle. Antibodies produced using the viral particles of the invention can be used to detect the presence of viral particles in biological samples. For instance, the presence of viral particles in blood products and cell-free blood products can be determined using the antibodies.

The present invention further includes methods of treating an animal including administering neutralizing antibodies. The antibodies can be used to prevent infection (prophylactically) or to treat infection (therapeutically), and optionally can be used in conjunction with other molecules used to prevent or treat infection. The neutralizing antibodies can be mixed with pharmaceutically acceptable excipients or carriers. Suitable excipients include but are not limited to water, saline, dextrose, glycerol, ethanol, or the like and combinations thereof. In addition, if desired, neutralizing antibodies and pharmaceutically acceptable excipients or carriers may contain minor amounts of auxiliary substances such as wetting or emulsifying agents, pH buffering agents, and/or adjuvants which enhance the effectiveness of the neutralizing antibodies. Such additional formulations and modes of administration as are known in the art may also be used.

The virus particles produced by replication competent polynucleotide of the invention can be used as a source of viral antigen to measure the presence and amount of antibody present in an animal. Assays are available that measure the

presence in an animal of antibody directed to HCV, and include, for instance, ELISA assays and recombinant immunoblot assay. These types of assays can be used to detect whether an animal has been exposed to HCV, and/or whether the animal may have an active HCV infection. However, these assays do not use virus particles, but rather individual or multiple viral polypeptides expressed from recombinant cDNA that are not in the form of virus particles. Hence they are generally unable to detect potentially important antibodies directed against surface epitopes of the envelope polypeptides, nor are they typically measures of functionally important viral neutralizing antibodies. Such antibodies are generally detected with the use of infectious virus particles, such as those that are produced in this system. The use of infectious viral particles as antigen in assays that detect the presence of specific antibodies by virtue of their ability to block the infection of cells with HCV viral particles, or that possibly bind to whole virus particles in an ELISA assay or radioimmunoassay, will allow the detection of functionally important viral neutralizing antibodies.

The present invention also provides a kit for identifying a compound that inhibits replication of a replication competent polynucleotide. The kit includes a replication competent polynucleotide as described herein, and a cell that contains a polynucleotide including a transactivated coding sequence encoding a detectable marker and an operator sequence operably linked to the transactivated coding sequence in a suitable packaging material. Optionally, other reagents such as buffers and solutions needed to practice the invention are also included. Instructions for use of the packaged materials are also typically included.

As used herein, the phrase "packaging material" refers to one or more physical structures used to house the contents of the kit. The packaging material is constructed by well known methods, preferably to provide a sterile, contaminant-free environment. The packaging material may include a label which indicates that the replication competent polynucleotide can be used for identifying a compound that inhibits replication of such a polynucleotide. In addition, the packaging material may contain instructions indicating how the materials within the kit are employed. As used herein, the term "package" refers to a solid matrix or material such as glass, plastic, and the like, capable of holding within fixed limits the replication competent virus and the vertebrate cell.

The present invention is illustrated by the following examples. It is to be understood that the particular examples, materials, amounts, and procedures are to be interpreted broadly in accordance with the scope and spirit of the invention as set forth herein.

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EXAMPLES

Materials and Methods

Cells. Huh7 cells were grown in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (Gibco BRL, Carlsbad, CA) supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum, penicillin and streptomycin. En5-3 is a clonal cell line derived from Huh7 cells by stable transformation with the plasmid pLTR-SEAP (Yi et al., Virology, 304,197-210 (2002)). These cells were cultured in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (Gibco BRL) supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum, 2 µg/ml blasticidin (Invitrogen), penicillin and streptomycin. Cell lines were passaged once or twice per week. G418 at a concentration of 250 µg/ml was used to select colonies from En5-3 cells transfected with replicon RNAs containing 1a sequences.

Plasmids. The plasmid pBpp-Htat2ANeo was constructed by replacing the *BsrGI-XbaI* fragment of pBpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI (identical to Ntat2ANeo/SI as described by Yi et al. (Yi et al., Virology, 304,197-210 (2002)) with the analogous segment of pH77c (GenBank AF011751) (Yanagi et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, 94, 8738-43 (1997)) engineered to contain a *BsrGI* site at the corresponding location by Quick-Change (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) mutagenesis. This fragment swap results in the NS3-NS5B sequence in pBpp-Htat2ANeo being identical to that of pH77c, with the exception of the RNA encoding the N-terminal 75 amino acid residues of NS3 that retains the genotype 1b Con1 sequence. Since Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI was originally engineered to contain the genotype 1a 5' nontranslated RNA (5'NTR) sequence (Yi et al., Virology, 304,197-210 (2002)), the resulting pBpp-Htat2ANeo construct possesses both a genotype 1a 5'NTR and 1a 3'NTR sequence. Overlapping PCR was used to fuse an anti-genomic hepatitis delta ribozyme sequence directly to the 3' end of the genotype 1a 3'NTR, in order to generate a self-cleaving 3' sequence with the exact 3' terminal nucleotide of HCV (Perrotta and Been, Nucleic Acids Res, 24,1314-21 (1996)). Derivatives of

pBpp-Htat2ANeo containing the adaptive mutations K1691R or S2204I were created by Quick-Change (Stratagene) mutagenesis.

To construct pBpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI, an *EcoRI* restriction site was created in pBpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI near the 3' end of the NS4A coding region by

5 Quick-Change mutagenesis. After digestion of the resulting plasmid with *BsrGI* and *EcoRI*, the excised HCV segment was replaced with the equivalent sequence from pH77c which had been amplified by PCR using primers pairs containing terminal *BsrGI* and *EcoRI* sites, respectively. To construct the plasmid Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo, DNA fragments representing the encephalomyocarditis virus

10 (EMCV) internal ribosome entry site (IRES) sequence and the genotype 1a H77c NS3 protein-coding sequence were fused by overlapping PCR. The resulting fragment was digested with *KpnI* at a site located within the EMCV IRES and *BsrGI* at the site created within the modified pH77c NS3 region (see above), then inserted in place of the corresponding fragment in pBpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI.

15 The adaptive mutations, Q1067R or G1188R, were introduced into pHpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI in a similar fashion, using cDNA fragments prepared by RT-PCR of template RNAs isolated from independent G418-resistant replicon cell lines selected after transfection of En5-3 cells with Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo RNA. pHtat2ANeo/SI was constructed by replacing the *BsrGI-XbaI* fragment of pHpp-

20 H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI with that of pBpp-Htat2ANeo/SI. A similar strategy was used to construct pHtat2ANeo/QR/SI, pHtat2ANeo/KR/SI, and pHtat2ANeo/QR/KR/SI. Quick-Change (Stratagene) mutagenesis was used to introduce the P1496L, F2080V and K2040R mutations into replicon constructs derived from pHtat2ANeo/SI.

25 Modified pH77c plasmids containing adaptive mutations were created by replacing the *BsrGI-XbaI* fragment with the corresponding fragment from the pHtat2ANeo plasmid derivative containing the indicated mutation, except for the Q1067R mutation which was introduced by Quick-Change (Stratagene) mutagenesis. Each mutation was confirmed by sequence analysis. For use as

30 controls, replication-incompetent subgenomic and genome-length genotype 1a constructs (Htat2ANeo/QR/VI/KR/KR5A/SI/AAG and H77/QR/VI/KR/KR5A/SI/AAG) were created by replacing residues 2737-2739 of NS5B ('GDD') with 'AAG' using a similar strategy. Each mutation was confirmed by sequence analysis.

RNA transcription and transfection. RNA was synthesized with T7 MEGAScript reagents (Ambion, Austin, TX), after linearizing plasmids with *Xba*I. Following treatment with RNase-free DNase to remove template DNA and precipitation of the RNA with lithium chloride, the RNA was transfected into 5 Huh7 cells or En5-3 cells by electroporation. Briefly, 5 µg RNA was mixed with 2 x 10⁶ cells suspended in 500 µl phosphate buffered saline, in a cuvette with a gap width of 0.2 cm (Bio-Rad). Electroporation was with two pulses of current delivered by the Gene Pulser II electroporation device (Bio-Rad), set at 1.5 kV, 25 µF, and maximum resistance. For transient replication assays, no G418 was added 10 to the media. Transfected cells were transferred to two wells of a 6-well tissue culture plate, and culture medium removed completely every 24 hrs and saved at 4°C for subsequent SEAP assay. The cells were washed twice with PBS prior to re-feeding with fresh culture medium. Since the culture medium was replaced every 24 hours in these transient assays, the SEAP activity measured in these 15 fluids reflected the daily production of SEAP by the cells. Cells were split 5 days after transfection. Samples of media were stored at 4°C until assayed for SEAP activity at the conclusion of the experiment.

Alkaline phosphatase assay. SEAP activity was measured in 10 µl aliquots of transfected cell supernatant culture fluids using the Phospha-Light 20 Chemiluminescent Reporter Assay (Applied Biosystems/Tropix, Foster City, CA) with the manufacturer's suggested protocol reduced in scale. The luminescent signal was read using a TD-20/20 Luminometer (Turner Designs, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA).

Sequence analysis of cDNA from replicating HCV RNAs. HCV RNA was 25 extracted from cells, converted to cDNA and amplified by PCR as described previously (Yi et al., J Virol, 77, 57-68 (2003)). First-strand cDNA synthesis was carried out with Superscript II reverse transcriptase (Gibco-BRL); pfu-Turbo DNA polymerase (Stratagene) was used for PCR amplification of the DNA. The amplified DNAs were subjected to direct sequencing using an ABI 9600 30 automatic DNA sequencer.

In vitro translation. In vitro transcribed RNA, prepared as described above, was used to program in vitro translation reactions in rabbit reticulocyte lysate (Promega, Madison, WI). Approximately 1µg RNA, 2 µl of [³⁵S]-methionine (1,000 Ci/mmol at 10 mCi/ml), and 1 µl of an amino acid mixture

lacking methionine were included in each 50 µl reaction mixture. Translation was carried out at 30° C for 90 minutes. Translation products were separated by SDS-PAGE followed by autoradiography or PhosphorImager (Molecular Dynamics) analysis.

5 *Indirect immunofluorescence.* Cells were grown on chamber slides until 70-80% confluent, washed 3 times with PBS, and fixed in methanol/acetone (1:1 V/V) for 10 min at room temperature. A 1:20 dilution of a primary, murine monoclonal antibody to core or NS5A (Maine Biotechnology Services, Portland, ME) was prepared in PBS containing 3% bovine serum albumin, and incubated 10 with the fixed cells for 1 hour at room temperature. Following additional washes with PBS, specific antibody binding was detected with a goat anti-mouse IgG FITC-conjugated secondary antibody (Sigma, St. Louis, Missouri) diluted 1:70. Cells were washed with PBS, counterstained with DAPI, and mounted in Vectashield mounting medium (Vector Laboratories, Burlingame, CA) prior to 15 examination by a Zeiss AxioPlan2 Fluorescence microscope.

20 *Northern analysis for HCV RNA.* Replicon-bearing cells were seeded into 10 cm dishes at a density of 5x10⁵ cells/dish, and harvested the RNA 4 days later. Total cellular RNA was extracted with Trizol reagent (Gibco-BRL) and quantified by spectrophotometry at 260 nm. Thirty µg of the total RNA extracted from each 25 well was loaded onto a denaturing agarose-formaldehyde gel, subjected to electrophoresis and transferred to positively-charged Hybond-N+ nylon membranes (Amersham-Pharmacia Biotec) using reagents provided with the NorthernMax Kit (Ambion). RNAs were immobilized on the membranes by UV-crosslinking. The membrane was hybridized with a mixture of [³²P]-labeled antisense riboprobe complementary to the 3'-end of the HCV NS5B sequence (nucleotides 8990-9275) derived from pH77C or pHCV-N, and the hybridized probe was detected by exposure to X-ray film.

Results

30 *Transient replication of 1a replicon containing chimeric NS3-coding sequence.* In contrast to genotype 1b HCV, several previous reports suggest that it is difficult to generate subgenomic genotype 1a replicons that are capable of efficient replication in Huh7 cells (Blight et al., Science, 290:1972-4 (2000), Guo et al., J Virol, 75, 8516-23 (2001), Ikeda et al., J Virol, 76, 2997-3006 (2002),

Lanford et al., J Virol, 77,1092-104 (2003)). Similar results were encountered with a dicistronic SEAP reporter replicon constructed from the H77c infectious molecular clone (Yanagi et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, 94, 8738-43 (1997)) that encoded both the HIV tat protein and neomycin phosphotransferase in the upstream cistron. The organization of this latter replicon, Htat2ANeo/SI (Fig. 1), was similar to that of the efficiently replicating, genotype 1b Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI replicon (Fig. 1), referred to previously simply as “Ntat2ANeo/SI” (Yi et al., Virology, 304,197-210 (2002)). Most of the HCV polyprotein-coding sequence in Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI was derived from the genotype 1b HCV-N strain of HCV (Beard et al., Hepatol., 30, 316-24 (1999)), but the “Bpp” prefix used here and throughout this communication refers to the presence of 225 nucleotides (nts) of sequence that are derived from the Con1 strain of HCV at the extreme 5' end of the polyprotein coding region (“pp” indicates the 5' proximal protease-coding region, Fig. 1). In contrast, all of the HCV sequence in Htat2ANeo/SI (Fig. 1) is derived from the genotype 1a H77c virus, including both the 5' NTR and 3' NTR sequences. Unlike Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI RNA, Htat2ANeo/SI RNA did not transduce the selection of G418-resistant colonies, nor induce secretion of SEAP above that observed with a replication-incompetent NS5B-deletion mutant (Δ GDD) when transfected into En5-3 cells (stably transformed Huh7 cells that express SEAP under control of the HIV long terminal repeat promoter) (Yi et al., Virology, 304,197-210 (2002)). in a transient replication assay. This was the case even though the replicon was engineered to contain the genotype 1b adaptive mutation, S2204I, within NS5A (Fig. 1). The absence of apparent replication of Htat2ANeo/SI RNA was striking given the fact that it was derived from a well-documented infectious molecular clone of the H77c strain of HCV (Yanagi et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, 94, 8738-43 (1997)).

Recent reports suggest that the EMCV IRES-driven translation of the second cistron in dicistronic, subgenomic RNAs such as those shown in Fig. 1 may be reduced when the translated RNA sequence is derived from genotype 1a virus, rather than genotype 1b (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003), Guo et al., J Virol, 75, 8516-23 (2001), Lanford et al., J Virol, 77,1092-104 (2003)). However, even when translation of the second cistron is rendered more efficient by replacing the 5' 225 nts of the genotype 1a NS3 sequence with related sequence from the Con1 genotype 1b virus, replication typically has not been observed when the

remainder of the replicon sequence is derived from a genotype 1a virus (Guo et al., J Virol, 75, 8516-23 (2001), Lanford et al., J Virol, 77, 1092-104 (2003)). However, Gu et al. (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003)) recently described the successful selection of a replication competent, chimeric replicon in which the 5' 225 nts of the NS3 coding sequence was derived from genotype 1b virus, and the remainder of the second cistron from genotype 1a HCV (construction of chimeric replicons being simplified by a unique *BsrG1* site within the genotype 1b Con1 virus sequence, 225 nts downstream from the 5' end of the NS3 region). This replicon also contained 5'NTR sequence derived from genotype 1b virus, and had 10 a single base change within the genotype 1a 3'NTR sequence. The results of Gu et al. (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003)) suggest that the inclusion of the Con1 sequence at the 5' end of the NS3 region may in some way facilitate replication of the 1a RNA. This hypothesis is strengthened by observations made with genotype 1b replicons derived from HCV-N. Those described previously, including Bpp- 15 Ntat2ANeo/SI RNA, were constructed by ligation of HCV-N sequence to a Con1 replicon at the *BsrG1* site (Guo et al., J Virol, 75, 8516-23 (2001), Ikeda et al., J Virol, 76, 2997-3006 (2002), Yi et al., Virology, 304, 197-210 (2002)), and thus they contain 5' proximal NS3 sequence (proximal protease sequence or 'pp', Fig. 1) derived from the Con1 virus. Although this chimeric Con1/HCV-N RNA 20 replicates significantly more efficiently than the originally-described Con1 replicons, the replacement of the 5' proximal NS3 sequence in Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI with sequence from HCV-N (resulting in Npp-Ntat2ANeo/SI) virtually ablated its replication phenotype in transient transfection assays, although it remained possible to select G418-resistant colonies at a low frequency following 25 transfection.

To formally assess the ability of the 5' proximal genotype 1b NS3 sequence to enhance genotype 1a RNA replication, the 5' 225 nts of NS3 coding region in Htat2ANeo/SI were replaced with the Con1 sequence, generating Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI (Fig. 1). The construct was also modified by replacing the *Xba*1 restriction site at the 3' end of the HCV sequence with the hepatitis delta virus ribozyme sequence (Perrotta and Been, Nucleic Acids Res, 24, 1314-21 (1996)). We have shown previously that the presence of the 4 extraneous nts at the 3' end 30 of the replicon RNA that results from run-off transcription of *Xba*1-digested plasmid DNA reduces the replication competence of genotype 1b RNAs by 2-3

fold (Yi and Lemon, *Rna*, 9, 331-45 (2003)). The inclusion of the ribozyme resulted in self-cleaving RNA transcripts capable of generating the exact 3' terminal HCV RNA sequence. Nonetheless, this modified Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI RNA still remained incapable of inducing the expression of SEAP in transfected 5 EN5-3 cells beyond that observed following transfection of the ΔGDD RNA. Transfection resulted only in an initial burst in SEAP expression due to translation of the input replicon RNA, without the sustained SEAP expression that is indicative of RNA replication (Fig. 2). However, the Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI RNA was capable of transducing the selection of G418-resistant cell colonies 10 supporting replication of the RNA over a period of 3-4 weeks following transfection of the cells.

The sequence of replicon RNAs extracted from two independent G418-resistant cell clones selected following the transfection of En5-3 cells with Bpp-Htat2ANeo RNA was analyzed. The presence of a single Lys to Arg mutation 15 located within the NS4A region, at residue 1691 (K1691R) of the polyprotein in both cell clones was determined. This residue is located just beyond the 3' limits of the NS4A cofactor peptide sequence which participates in forming a noncovalent complex with NS3 and enhances its protease activity (Wright-Minogue et al., *J Hepatol*, 32, 497-504 (2000), Yao et al., *Structure Fold Des*, 7, 20 1353-63 (1999)). To determine whether the K1691R mutation facilitated replication of the chimeric genotype 1b/1a RNA in En5-3 cells, this mutation was introduced into the parental Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI construct, thereby creating Bpp-Htat2ANeo/KR/SI (see Table 2 for a list of all adaptive mutations identified in these studies, as well as the symbols used to indicate their presence in constructs). 25 As shown in Fig. 2, this single mutation significantly enhanced the replication capacity of the RNA, allowing replication to be detected by a sustained increase in SEAP expression following transient transfection of EN5-3 cells in the absence of G418 (Fig. 2). Since the level of SEAP production has been shown to correlate closely with intracellular replicon RNA abundance in this reporter system (Yi et 30 al., *Virology*, 304, 197-210 (2002), Yi et al., *J Virol*, 77, 57-68 (2003)) we conclude that K1691R is an adaptive mutation. Interestingly, this mutation has been shown previously to confer an enhanced replication phenotype on Con1 replicons (Lohmann et al., *J Virol*, 77, 3007-19 (2003)), whereas the sequence of HCV-N is naturally Arg at this position (Beard et al., *Hepatol.*, 30, 316-24

(1999)). Our results stand in contrast to those reported by Gu et al. (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003)), who identified several mutations within the NS3, NS5A, and NS5B sequences of chimeric genotype 1b-1a RNAs. None of these mutations appeared to enhance the ability of the chimeric RNA to replicate or
5 transduce colony selection.

The 5' 225 nts of the genotype 1a NS3 sequence down modulate replicon amplification. The results described above, as well as those of Gu et al. (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003)) suggest that first 225 nts of the genotype 1a NS3 sequence have a negative impact on the replication of subgenomic HCV replicons.
10 This could occur by down modulation of EMCV IRES-directed translation of the nonstructural proteins (Guo et al., J Virol, 75, 8516-23 (2001)), or by directly influencing replication itself, possibly by influencing an NS3-related function. To address this issue, the identification of additional adaptive mutations capable of compensating for the presence of the 5' proximal genotype 1a protease sequence
15 was sought. Thus additional chimeric replicons containing the entire genotype 1a NS3/4A sequence within the background of Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI (Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI, Fig. 3A) were constructed. Also constructed was a variant of this construct in which the first 225 nts of the NS3/4A sequence was replaced with Con1 sequence (Bpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI, Fig. 3A). In both chimeric RNAs, the
20 sequence extending from NS4B to the 3'NTR was derived entirely from the genotype 1b HCV-N strain. While the replicon containing the entire genotype 1a NS3/4A sequence (Hpp-H34A-NtatNeo/SI) did not show evidence of replication in a transient transfection assay, the variant containing the first 225 nts of the Con1 sequence (Bpp-H34A-NtatNeo/SI) replicated as well as the reference Bpp-
25 Ntat2ANeo/SI replicon (Fig. 3B). This result confirms that the 5' 225 nucleotides of the genotype 1a NS3 sequence have a negative effect on RNA replication in En5-3 cells, and also indicates that the downstream genotype 1a NS3/4A sequence functions well in this context.

Interestingly, despite the lack of detectable RNA replication in the
30 transient assay, selection of stable G418-resistant cell clones following transfection of Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI RNA was possible. Sequencing of replicon RNAs derived from two independent cell clones revealed only a single potentially adaptive mutation in each: Q1067R and G1188R, both of which are located within RNA encoding the NS3 protease (Fig. 3A). The Q1067R mutation

is of particularly interest, since it is within the 5' 225 nucleotides of the NS3 region. When introduced into Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI, both the Q1067R and (to a lesser extent) the G1188R mutations enhanced replication of the RNA to a level that was detectable in the transient assay (Fig. 3B), indicating that both are adaptive mutations and capable of compensating, in part, for the presence of the genotype 1a protease sequence. However, neither of these mutations, when introduced into a replicon containing only genotype 1a sequence (Htat2ANeo/SI), was able to enhance replication to the point where it was evident in the transient assay (Htat2ANeo/QR/SI, Fig. 4).

10 *Transient replication of a genotype 1a replicon in normal Huh7 cells.* To determine whether the K1691R and Q1067R mutations might work cooperatively to confer a transient replication phenotype on the genotype 1a replicon RNA, both were introduced into Htat2ANeo and assessed the ability of the modified RNA to replicate in transfected En5-3 cells. Surprisingly, the combination of the K1691R and Q1067R mutations (in addition to the S2204I mutation in NS5A) conferred a relatively robust replication phenotype on the genotype 1a RNA, such that replication was easily detectable in the transient transfection assay using the SEAP reporter system (Htat2ANeo/QR/KR/SI, Fig. 4B). Using an approach similar to that taken in the preceding experiments, an additional adaptive mutation (F2080V) within the NS5A-coding region (F2080V) was subsequently identified, when cells transfected with Htat2ANeo/QR/KR/SI RNA were subjected to G418 selection pressure. This mutation resulted in slightly greater replication efficiency when introduced into the genotype 1a replicon containing K1691R and Q1067R in addition to S2204I (Htat2ANeo/QR/KR/FV/SI, Fig. 4B). However, F2080V had relatively little effect when added to replicons containing only K1691R or Q1067R (in addition to S2204I) (Fig. 4B). Minimally increased secretion of SEAP above the ΔGDD background was observed during the first 5 days after transfection with Htat2ANeo/KR/FV/SI, but this was no longer apparent after 6 days. The replication phenotype of Htat2ANeo/QR/FV/SI was indistinguishable from that of the replication incompetent ΔGDD mutant in this assay (Fig. 4B). These results are summarized in Fig. 4C.

To facilitate a comparison of these results with those reported previously by Blight et al. (Blight et al., J Virol, 77, 3181-90 (2003)), the adaptive P1496L mutation identified by this group within the helicase domain of NS3 following

transfection of a genotype 1a replicon was introduced into the highly permissive Huh7 subline, Huh-7.5. Consistent with the previous report, a 1a replicon bearing this mutation P1496L demonstrated only minimal evidence of replication in the transient assay (which utilizes En5-3 cells that are comparable to normal Huh7 cells in terms of their permissiveness for HCV RNA replication) (Htat2ANeo/PL/SI, Fig. 4B). The addition of the NS5A mutation, F2080V, failed to noticeably enhance the replication capacity of this RNA (Htat2ANeo/PL/FV/SI, Fig. 4B). SEAP expression induced by genotype 1a replicons containing both Q1067R and K1691R was approximately 10-fold that induced by replicons containing P1496L. Since SEAP production from En5-3 cells correlates closely with the intracellular abundance of replicon RNA (Yi et al., Virology, 304, 197-210 (2002)), these results suggest that the protease domain mutations make a greater contribution to replication competence of the genotype 1a replicon.

Adaptive mutations within NS3 do not affect EMCV IRES-driven translation of the second cistron. As mentioned above, previous reports indicate that the EMCV-driven translation of the second cistron is reduced in genotype 1a replicons in comparison to replicons containing the genotype 1b Con1 sequence (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003), Guo et al., J Virol, 75, 8516-23 (2001), Lanford et al., J Virol, 77, 1092-104 (2003)). Although the mechanism is uncertain, the effect appears to be due to the genotype 1a sequence encoding the amino terminus of NS3. Since the adaptive Q1067R mutation is located within this region, we asked whether it or other mutations that enhance 1a replicon amplification do so by improving EMCV IRES-driven translation of the HCV nonstructural proteins. To test this hypothesis, in vitro translation reactions were programmed with genotype 1b and 1a replicon RNAs containing various adaptive mutations, and compared the production of proteins encoded by the second cistron with neomycin phosphotransferase produced from the first cistron. As shown in Fig. 5, the synthesis of NS3 was modestly reduced with replicons containing genotype 1a H77c sequence in the 5' proximal protease region (compare NS3 abundance in lanes 4-8 with that in other lanes). However, it was not increased by any of the adaptive mutations, including Q1067R. This result indicates that the difficulty of establishing replication competent 1a replicons is more likely due to the intrinsic property of the 1a sequence, than to an incompatibility of the HCV and EMCV sequences in this region leading to reduced activity of the EMCV

IRES. Nonetheless, the reduced level of translation of the genotype 1a nonstructural proteins that is evident in Fig. 5 may contribute to the poor replication phenotype of these RNAs.

An additional adaptive NS5A mutation further augments replication competence.

5 Although the F2080V mutation in NS5A provided only a slight additional replication advantage to subgenomic genotype 1a RNAs containing the Q1067R, K1691R and S2204I mutations (Fig. 4), additional mutations were subsequently identified concurrently near the C-terminus of NS3 (V1655I) and within NS5A (K2040R) in RNAs replicating within a G418-resistant cell line

10 selected following transfection with the subgenomic Htat2ANeo/QR/KR/SI replicon. As shown in Fig. 6, both of these mutations enhanced the replication capacity of genotype 1a RNA. Addition of the V1655I mutation resulted in a modest enhancement of Htat2ANeo/QR/KR/SI replication, leading to a replication phenotype slightly better than observed with the addition of the F2080V mutation.

15 In contrast, the addition of the K2040R mutation in NS5A resulted in a dramatic increase in replication competence, rendering the replication phenotype of the genotype 1a RNA equivalent to that of the standard genotype 1b HCV-N replicon used in these studies, Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI (Fig. 6B). A genotype 1a replicon containing both of these adaptive mutations in addition to those identified earlier

20 replicated with slightly greater efficiency than this reference genotype 1b RNA in the transient assay (Fig. 6B, Htat2ANeo/QR/VI/KR/KR5A/SI). These results were confirmed in independent experiments.

Robust replication of genome-length genotype 1a RNA with adaptive mutations.

Encouraged by the above results, we assessed the in vitro replication competence of genome-length, genotype 1a H77c RNA engineered to contain the adaptive mutations described above. As with the dicistronic, subgenomic RNAs, we placed the hepatitis delta ribozyme sequence at the 3' end of the cloned infectious cDNA sequence in pH77c in order to generate RNA transcripts containing an exact HCV 3' terminus. As these genomic RNAs encoded no selectable marker or reporter protein product, their replication was assessed in transfected Huh7 and En5-3 cells by northern blot analysis in comparison with related subgenomic RNAs. Subgenomic and genome-length replication-incompetent H77 mutant RNAs, in which the GDD motif had been replaced with

AAG, served as negative controls for this experiment. For En5-3 cells transfected with the subgenomic RNAs, we also determined levels of SEAP expression.

As expected, the unmodified H77c RNA showed no evidence of replication, even though it has been shown previously to be infectious in chimpanzees when inoculated into liver (Fig. 7, compare lane 7 with the replication defective 1a genomic RNA in lane 11). The introduction of the Q1067R (NS3) mutation, alone or in combination with S2204I (NS5A), was insufficient to confer a detectable level of replication in Huh7 cells. However, when all three mutations were introduced (Q1067R, K1691R and S2204I), the H77c RNA acquired a relatively efficient replication phenotype with readily detectable amplification of the RNA in northern blots of cell lysates prepared 4 days after transfection of either Huh7 or En5-3 cells (Fig. 7, lane 8). Replication of the genome-length RNA was slightly increased by the further addition of the F2080V (NS5A) mutation (Fig. 7, lane 9). However, consistent with the data presented in Fig. 6, the inclusion of both the V1655I mutation in NS3 and the K2040R mutation conferred a substantially more robust replication phenotype on genome-length H77c, when present in combination with other adaptive mutations in NS3, NS4A and NS5A (H77c/QR/VI/KR/KR5A/SI, Fig. 7, compares lane 10 and 11). This experiment thus confirmed the adaptive effects of these mutations.

Northern blotting indicated that the replication capacity of genome-length genotype 1a RNAs containing adaptive mutations was significantly greater than the comparable subgenomic, dicistronic genotype 1a replicons, for which the RNA signal 4 days after transfection was low and near the limits of detection in northern blots (Fig. 7, compare lanes 3 to 6 with lanes 8 to 11). These findings are consistent with those reported previously by Blight et al. (*J. Virol.*, 77, 3181-3190 (2003)), and indicate that the inclusion of heterologous sequences in the dicistronic replicons impairs RNA replication competence. Subgenomic replicon RNA was detected unambiguously only in cells transfected with Htat2ANeo/QR/VI/KR/KR5A/SI, the RNA that generated the highest level of SEAP expression (Fig. 7, compare lane 5 and 6).

As a further measure of the replication competence of these modified genome-length H77c RNAs, we also examined transfected En5-3 cells for the presence of core or NS5A proteins using an indirect immunofluorescence method. Introduction of both the K1691R (NS4A) and S2204I mutations resulted in

detectable antigen expression 4 days after transfection, albeit only in a very low percentage of cells (less than 0.01%). However, strong expression of both the core and NS5A proteins was observed in approximately 30% of En5-3 cells 4 days after transfection of RNA containing all four adaptive mutations. Increased 5 replication efficiency of genotype 1a RNAs correlated with a greater proportion of cells supporting the replication of HCV RNA, evidenced by the presence of viral antigen.

Discussion

10 Subgenomic, dicistronic, selectable HCV RNA replicons derived from genotype 1b viruses replicate efficiently in cultured cells (Blight et al., Science, 290:1972-1974 (2000), Guo et al., J. Virol., 75:8516-8523 (2001), Ikeda et al., J. Virol., 76:2997-3006 (2002), Krieger et al., J. Virol., 75:4614-4624 (2001), Lohmann et al., J. Virol., 75:1437-1449 (2001), and Lohmann et al., Science 15 285:110-113 (1999)). These novel RNAs have facilitated the study of HCV RNA replication and substantially accelerated antiviral drug discovery efforts. The Huh7 cell line, derived from a human hepatoma, appears to be uniquely permissive and supportive of the replication of these HCV RNAs, although recent studies suggest that other types of cells may also be permissive for HCV RNA replication 15 (Zhu et al., J. Virol., 77:9204-9210 (2003)). However, despite the success of genotype 1b replicons, it has been difficult to generate RNAs that replicate efficiently in any cell type from other genotypes of HCV, including genotype 1a, (Blight et al., Science, 290:1972-1974 (2000), Guo et al., J. Virol., 75:8516-8523 20 (2001), Ikeda et al., J. Virol., 76:2997-3006 (2002), and Lanford et al., J. Virol., 77:1092-104 (2003)). This surprising observation indicates that significant 25 biological differences exist between genotype 1a and 1b viruses, despite the fact that the nucleotide sequences of genotype 1a viruses are relatively closely related to those of genotype 1b (~90-93% identity). This biological difference raises the likelihood that antiviral agents that are found to be active against the genotype 1b virus may have significantly lesser activity against genotype 1a viruses. 30 Considering these observations and the relatively high genetic variability that exists between different HCV genotypes, the development of cell culture systems supporting replication of viral RNAs from other genotypes will be important for validating in vitro efficacy of candidate antiviral agents across a range of

genetically distinct HCV genotypes, as well as developing a better overall understanding of these viruses.

Genotype 1a viruses are the most prevalent types of HCV in the United States, and like genotype 1b virus they are relatively refractory to treatment with 5 interferon (Fried et al., N Engl J Med, 347, 975-82 (2002), McHutchison and Fried, Clin Liver Dis, 7, 149-61 (2003)). Thus far, a detectable level of genotype 1a RNA replication has been reported only in specially isolated, highly permissive Huh7 human hepatoma cell sublines (e.g., Huh-7.5 cells) generated by eliminating the replication of genotype 1b RNA replicons from established replicon cell lines 10 using interferon- α in vitro (Blight et al., J Virol, 77, 3181-90 (2003), Grobler et al., J Biol Chem, 278,16741-6 (2003)). These previously described genotype 1a RNAs possess cell culture-adaptive mutations that enhance their replication in these special cells, including those selected during the isolation of antibiotic-resistant cell lines containing these 1a replicons (Blight et al., J Virol, 77, 3181-90 15 (2003), Grobler et al., J Biol Chem, 278,16741-6 (2003)). However, the published reports suggest that these previously described genotype 1a RNAs do not replicate to a detectable level in standard Huh7 cells, and that their capacity for replication in cultured cells is thus limited. In contrast, genotype 1a HCV RNAs are reported here that replicate in a highly efficient manner in normal Huh7 cells.

20 Our results suggest that the highly efficient replication of genotype 1a RNAs requires at least three adaptive mutations located within the NS3, NS4A and NS5A proteins. It is evident that these mutations are mutually reinforcing in their ability to enhance the replication of the genotype 1a RNAs, even though they were identified individually under different circumstances. It was found that the 25 introduction of the S2204I mutation in NS5A, which is known to promote the replication of genotype 1b virus RNAs in Huh7 cells (Blight et al., Science, 290:1972-4 (2000)), was not sufficient for subgenomic replicons composed entirely of the genotype 1a sequence to initiate replication in Huh7 cells. However, it made possible the selection of G418-resistant cell colonies following 30 transfection of a chimeric replicon RNA, in which sequence from the infectious molecular clone of the genotype 1a H77c virus encoded all of the nonstructural proteins other than the N-terminal 75 amino acid residues of NS3 which were derived from the genotype 1b Con1 sequence (Fig. 1, Bpp-Htat2ANeo/SI). The HCV RNAs replicating in these cells contained a single mutation within the

NS4A-coding region (K1691R) that enhanced the replication capacity of the original chimeric replicon RNA (Fig. 2). These results suggest that a restriction to the replication of genotype 1a virus in Huh7 cells may reside within the serine protease domain of NS3, since substitution of the N-terminal domain of the 5 genotype 1a protease with that from the Con1 genotype 1b virus allowed the initiation of replication and the selection of G418-resistant cells. A similar conclusion can be drawn from the results reported by Gu et. al. (Gu et al., J Virol, 77, 5352-9 (2003)). Thus, it is interesting that the adaptive mutation K1691R resides within NS4A very close to the surface of the NS3/4A protease complex 10 that it helps to form (Fig. 8).

In an effort to better understand this restriction, a second chimeric replicon containing the complete genotype 1a NS34A sequence within the background of a genotype 1b replicon was constructed. This RNA (Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI) did not undergo detectable replication in the transient transfection system utilized in 15 these studies (Fig. 3). However, it was capable of transducing the selection of G418-resistant cell colonies following transfection and antibiotic selection. Analysis of the sequence of the HCV RNAs replicating within these cells identified a second, cell culture-adaptive mutation within the N-terminal region of 20 the NS3 protease (Q1067R), providing further evidence that a primary restriction to replication of genotype 1a virus resides within this domain. Yet additional evidence for this comes from the replication phenotype of the Bpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI replicon, which also contains all of the genotype 1a NS3/4A sequence except for the N-terminal 75 amino acid residues, and which demonstrated a robust replication phenotype in the transient transfection assay. 25 Thus there appears to be no restriction to replication deriving from inclusion of the genotype 1a NS3 helicase domain, nor for that matter any part of the protease domain except for its N-terminus.

Further work demonstrated that the K1691R and Q1067R mutations worked cooperatively: neither by itself was capable of conferring the capacity for 30 efficient replication on a replicon composed entirely of genotype 1a sequence, but a combination of the two (in addition to the genotype 1b S2204I adaptive mutation) resulted in RNA replication that could be readily detected in the transient transfection assay (Fig. 4). That these mutations should act cooperatively in their effects on replication, as indicated by the data shown in Fig. 4, is

consistent with their location in the polyprotein, since the NS4A protease cofactor domain interacts primarily with residues within the N-terminal domain of the NS3 protease (Wright-Minogue et al., J Hepatol, 32, 497-504 (2000), Yao et al., Structure Fold Des, 7, 1353-63 (1999)).

5 Additional adaptive mutations were identified and verified through an iterative series of experiments involving RNA transfection, isolation of G418-resistant cells, and analysis of the sequence of efficiently replicating genotype 1a RNAs. Also demonstrated was that the S2204I mutation did indeed facilitate the replication of the genotype 1a RNA, as its removal from the efficiently replicating
10 subgenomic RNAs substantially reduced their replication competence in the transient transfection assay. The genotype 1a adaptive mutations identified herein are summarized in Table 2. They can be grouped functionally into two groups:
15 K2040R, F2080V, and S2204I, which are all located within NS5A (a common site of genotype 1b adaptive mutations), and Q1067R, G1188R, V1655I, and K1691R, which are all located in or otherwise associated with the protease domain of NS3.
While to some extent solvent exposed, both G1188R and Q1067R are close to the active site of the protease (Fig. 8), and would both add a significant charge difference to the active face of the protein. V1655I is particularly interesting. It is located near the extreme C-terminus of the NS3 protein, downstream of the
20 helicase domain, and close to the protease active site in the crystal structure of the NS3/4A complex (Yao et al., Structure Fold Des, 7, 1353-63 (1999)). In the P3 position of the NS3/4A cleavage site, V1655 is certain to play a role in substrate recognition during the *cis*-active cleavage of the polyprotein at the NS3/4A junction and it remains within the substrate-binding pocket in the crystal structure.
25 The potential impact of the K1691R mutation, within NS4A, on the conformation of the protease active site is much less certain, but it is in close proximity to the NS4A cofactor domain, as mentioned above, and intercalation of this domain into the NS3 protease is well known to modulate the activity of the protease.

Significantly, all of these NS3 and NS4A mutations are located at some
30 distance from other genotype 1a adaptive mutations in NS3 that have been described in the literature (see Fig. 8). These mutations, located at S1222, A1226 and P1496, are all within the helicase domain of NS3 (Blight et al., J Virol, 77, 3181-90 (2003), Grobler et al., J Biol Chem, 278, 16741-6 (2003)). While on the surface of the protein, they are located on the side opposite the solvent exposed

surfaces containing the G1188, V1655, and Q1067 residues (Fig. 8). Thus, it is possible that they facilitate genotype 1a RNA replication by a different mechanism than those mutations that cluster near the active site of the protease. At least the P1496L mutation identified by both Blight et al. (Blight et al., J Virol, 77, 5 3181-90 (2003)) and Grobler et al. (Grobler et al., J Biol Chem, 278, 16741-6 (2003)) appears to be substantially less active in conferring replication capacity on the genotype 1a H77c RNA. This was demonstrated by the lack of detectable replication of RNA replicons containing this mutation (Htat2ANeo/PL/SI and Htat2ANeo/PL/FV/SI) in the transient transfection experiment summarized in Fig. 10 4.

What role could mutations near the active site of the NS3 protease play in promoting the replication of genotype 1a HCV RNA in Huh7 cells? It is unlikely that these mutations work by enhancing translation of the nonstructural proteins under control of the EMCV IRES in the context of the subgenomic replicon, since 15 we observed no difference in translation of these proteins in vitro in reticulocyte lysates programmed with these RNAs (Fig. 5). More importantly, they enhance the replication of genomic H77c RNA lacking any heterologous sequence in Huh7 cells (see Fig. 7). These mutations do not seem likely to promote replication by favorably influencing the ability of the protease to process the viral polyprotein, 20 since the polyprotein segment expressed in the Htat2ANeo derivatives is derived entirely from the same H77c genome, and this replicates very efficiently in chimpanzee liver. However, this does remain a formal possibility that needs to be excluded in future studies. It is possible, instead, that these mutations promote interactions of the NS3/4A complex with specific cellular proteins that play a role 25 in assembly of the viral replicase complex, or otherwise influence replication by disabling innate cellular antiviral defenses.

Foy et al. (Foy et al., Science, 300, 1145-8 (2003)) recently demonstrated that expression of the NS3/4A protease effectively blocked activation of interferon regulatory factor 3 (IRF3) in Huh7 cells infected with Sendai virus, thereby 30 preventing the induction of synthesis of interferon- β and other antiviral cytokines. This immuno-evasive action of NS3 was reversed by a specific ketoamide inhibitor of the NS3/4A protease, and was dependent upon the protease activity of NS3/4A, indicating that NS3/4A is likely to cleave a cellular protein involved in IRF3 signaling following viral infection. While Foy et al. (Foy et al., Science,

300, 1145-8 (2003)) demonstrated that both genotype 1a and genotype 1b proteases are capable of blocking IRF3 activation, it is intriguing to consider that the adaptive mutations within NS3/4A may promote its ability to direct such a cleavage, thereby enhancing replication of the virus by lessening cellular antiviral 5 defenses.

The second group of adaptive mutations identified within NS5A, K2040R, F2080V, and S2204I (Table 2), are likely to function in a fashion similar to NS5A adaptive mutations identified in genotype 1b replicons, which include S2204I. Although their specific mechanism of action is not known, they may either 10 promote the ability of NS5A to assemble a functional replicase complex in Huh7 cells, or perhaps augment the immunomodulatory actions that have been proposed for this viral protein through its interactions with double-stranded RNA stimulated protein kinase R (PKR) (Gale et al., Clin Diagn Virol, 10,157-62 (1998)). The contribution of these adaptive mutations to the replication of the genotype 1a 15 RNA in these studies appears to be additive to that of the NS3/4A mutations (Figs. 3 and 6), not synergistic as shown for the combination of Q1067R and K1691R (Fig. 3).

The complete disclosure of all patents, patent applications, and 20 publications, and electronically available material (including, for instance, nucleotide sequence submissions in, e.g., GenBank and RefSeq, and amino acid sequence submissions in, e.g., SwissProt, PIR, PRF, PDB, and translations from annotated coding regions in GenBank and RefSeq) cited herein are incorporated by reference. The foregoing detailed description and examples have been given 25 for clarity of understanding only. No unnecessary limitations are to be understood therefrom. The invention is not limited to the exact details shown and described, for variations obvious to one skilled in the art will be included within the invention defined by the claims.

All headings are for the convenience of the reader and should not be used 30 to limit the meaning of the text that follows the heading, unless so specified.

Sequence Listing Free Text

SEQ ID NO:1 Nucleotide sequence of Hepatitis C virus strain H77

SEQ ID NO:2 Amino acid sequence of HCV polyprotein encoded by nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:1.

5 SEQ ID NO:3 Nucleotide sequence of Hepatitis C virus strain H

SEQ ID NO:4 Amino acid sequence of HCV polyprotein encoded by nucleotides 342 - 9377 of SEQ ID NO:3.

SEQ ID NO:5 HIV tat polypeptide

SEQ ID NO:6 NS3 recognition site

10 SEQ ID NO:7 Nucleotide sequence of HIV SEAP, HIV long terminal repeat (LTR) is depicted at nucleotides 1-719, and secretory alkaline phosphatase is encoded by the nucleotides 748-2239.

SEQ ID NO:8 Nucleotide sequence of a 3' NTR.

SEQ ID NO:9 Nucleotide sequence of a 5' NTR

15 SEQ ID NO:10 HIV tat polypeptide

SEQ ID NO:11 genomic length hepatitis C virus, genotype 1a

SEQ ID NO:12 HCV polyprotein encoded by the coding region present in

SEQ ID NO:11.

SEQ ID NO:13 nucleotide sequence of Htat2ANeo

20 SEQ ID NO:14 HCV polyprotein encoded by the coding region present in

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What is claimed is:

1. A replication competent polynucleotide comprising:
a 5' non-translated region (NTR), a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, wherein the polyprotein comprises an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further comprises an adaptive mutation selected from the group of an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, and a combination thereof.
2. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 1 further comprising a second coding sequence.
3. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 2 wherein the second coding sequence encodes a marker.
4. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 2 wherein the second coding sequence encodes a transactivator.
5. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein the 5' NTR, the 3'NTR, and the nucleotide sequence encoding the polyprotein are genotype 1a.
6. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein is a subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein.
7. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 1 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.

8. The replication competent polynucleotide of claim 1 further comprising a nucleotide sequence having cis-acting ribozyme activity, wherein the nucleotide sequence is located 3' of the 3' NTR.
9. A replication competent polynucleotide comprising:
a 5' non-translated region (NTR), a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprising cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B, wherein the polyprotein comprises an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, an arginine at about amino acid 1067, and an arginine at about amino acid 1691.
10. The polynucleotide of claim 9 further comprising a second coding sequence.
11. The polynucleotide of claim 10 wherein the second coding sequence encodes a marker .
12. The polynucleotide of claim 10 wherein the second coding sequence encodes a transactivator.
13. The polynucleotide of claim 9 wherein the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a.
14. A method for making a replication competent polynucleotide comprising:
providing a polynucleotide comprising a 5' NTR, 3' NTR, a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, wherein the polyprotein comprises a serine at about amino acid 2204, a glutamine at about amino acid 1067, a lysine at about amino acid 1691, a phenylalanine at about amino acid 2080, a valine at about amino acid 1655, a lysine at about amino acid 2040, or a glycine at about amino acid 1188 and wherein the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a; and
altering the coding sequence such that the polyprotein encoded thereby comprises an isoleucine at amino acid 2204, and at least one adaptive mutation

selected from the group consisting of an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, a valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, and a combination thereof.

15. The method of claim 14 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein is a subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein.

16. The method of claim 14 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.

17. A replication competent polynucleotide produced by the method of claim 14.

18. A method for identifying a compound that inhibits replication of a replication competent polynucleotide, the method comprising:

contacting a cell comprising a replication competent polynucleotide with a compound, the replication competent polynucleotide comprising 5' NTR, 3' NTR, a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further comprises an adaptive mutation selected from the group of an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, and a combination thereof;

incubating the cell under conditions wherein the replication competent polynucleotide replicates in the absence of the compound; and

detecting the replication competent polynucleotide, wherein a decrease of the replication competent HCV polynucleotide in the cell contacted with the compound compared to the replication competent polynucleotide in a cell not contacted with the compound indicates the compound inhibits replication of the replication competent polynucleotide.

19. The method of claim 18 wherein detecting the replication competent polynucleotide comprises nucleic acid amplification.
20. The method of claim 18 wherein the replication competent polynucleotide further comprises a second coding sequence encoding a marker, and wherein detecting the replication competent polynucleotide comprises identifying the marker.
21. The method of claim 18 wherein the replication competent polynucleotide further comprises a second coding sequence encoding a transactivator, wherein the cell comprises a polynucleotide comprising a transactivated coding sequence encoding a detectable marker and an operator sequence operably linked to the transactivated coding sequence, wherein the transactivator interacts with the operator sequence and alters expression of the transactivated coding sequence, and wherein detecting the replication competent polynucleotide in the cell comprises detecting the detectable marker encoded by the transactivated coding sequence.
22. The method of claim 18 wherein the cell is a human hepatoma cell.
23. The method of claim 18 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein is a subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein.
24. The method of claim 18 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.
25. The method of claim 18 wherein the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a.
26. A method for selecting a replication competent polynucleotide, the method comprising:
 - incubating a cell in the presence of a selecting agent, wherein:
 - the cell comprises a polynucleotide comprising a 5' non-translated region (NTR), a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between

the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, and a second coding sequence, wherein the polyprotein comprises an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further comprises an adaptive mutation selected from the group of an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, and a combination thereof;

the second coding sequence encodes a selectable marker conferring resistance to the selecting agent; and

the selecting agent inhibits replication of a cell that does not express the selectable marker; and

detecting a cell that replicates in the presence of the selecting agent, wherein the presence of such a cell indicates the polynucleotide is replication competent.

27. The method of claim 26 wherein the selecting agent is an antibiotic.

28. The method of claim 26 wherein the cell is a human hepatoma cell.

29. The method of claim 26 wherein the cell is a first cell, the method further comprising:

obtaining a virus particle produced by the first cell;

exposing a second cell to the isolated virus particle and incubating the second cell in the presence of the selecting agent; and

detecting a second cell that replicates in the presence of the selecting agent, wherein the presence of such a cell indicates the replication competent polynucleotide in the first cell produces an infectious virus particle.

30. The method of claim 26 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein is a subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein.

31. The method of claim 26 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.

32. The method of claim 26 wherein the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a.

33. A method for detecting a replication competent polynucleotide, the method comprising:

incubating a cell comprising a replication competent polynucleotide, wherein:

the replication competent polynucleotide comprises a 5' non-translated region (NTR), a 3'NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, and a second coding sequence encoding a transactivator, wherein the polyprotein comprises an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further comprises an adaptive mutation selected from the group of an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, and a combination thereof;

the cell comprises a transactivated coding region and an operator sequence operably linked to the transactivated coding region; and

the transactivated coding region encodes a detectable marker, wherein the transactivator alters transcription of the transactivated coding region; and

detecting the detectable marker, wherein the presence of the detectable marker indicates the cell comprises a replication competent polynucleotide.

34. The method of claim 33 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein is a subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein.

35. The method of claim 33 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.

36. The method of claim 33 wherein the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a.

37. A kit comprising:

a replication competent polynucleotide comprising a 5' non-translated region (NTR), a 3' NTR, and a first coding sequence present between the 5' NTR and 3' NTR and encoding a hepatitis C virus polyprotein, and a second coding sequence encoding a transactivator, wherein the polyprotein comprises an isoleucine at about amino acid 2204, and further comprises an adaptive mutation selected from the group of an arginine at about amino acid 1067, an arginine at about amino acid 1691, valine at about amino acid 2080, an isoleucine at about amino acid 1655, an arginine at about amino acid 2040, an arginine at about amino acid 1188, and a combination thereof; and

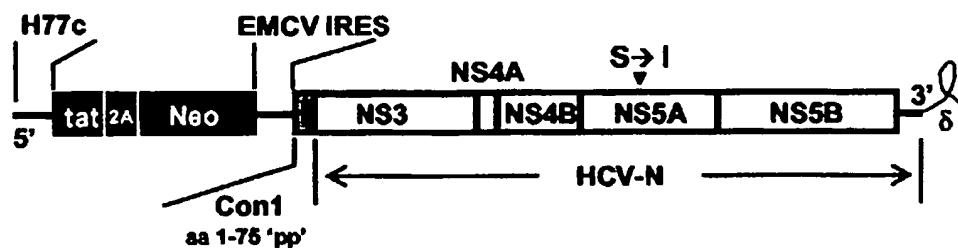
a cell comprising a polynucleotide comprising a transactivated coding sequence encoding a detectable marker and an operator sequence operably linked to the transactivated coding sequence, wherein the transactivator interacts with the operator sequence and alters expression of the transactivated coding sequence.

38. The method of claim 37 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein is a subgenomic hepatitis C virus polyprotein.

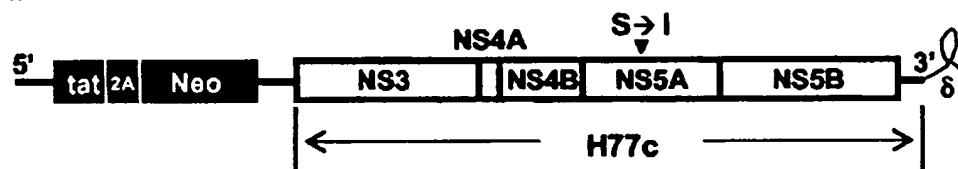
39. The method of claim 37 wherein the hepatitis C virus polyprotein comprises cleavage products core, E1, E2, P7, NS2, NS3, NS4A, NS4B, NS5A, and NS5B.

40. The method of claim 37 wherein the 5' NTR, polyprotein, and 3' NTR are genotype 1a.

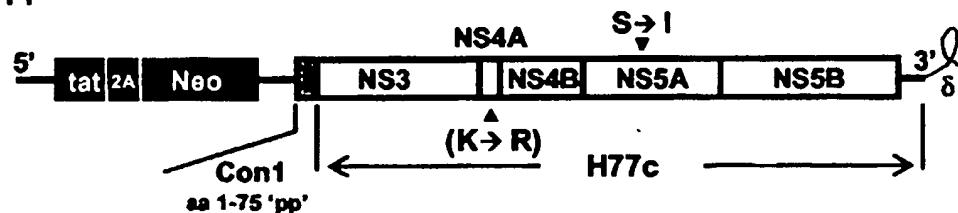
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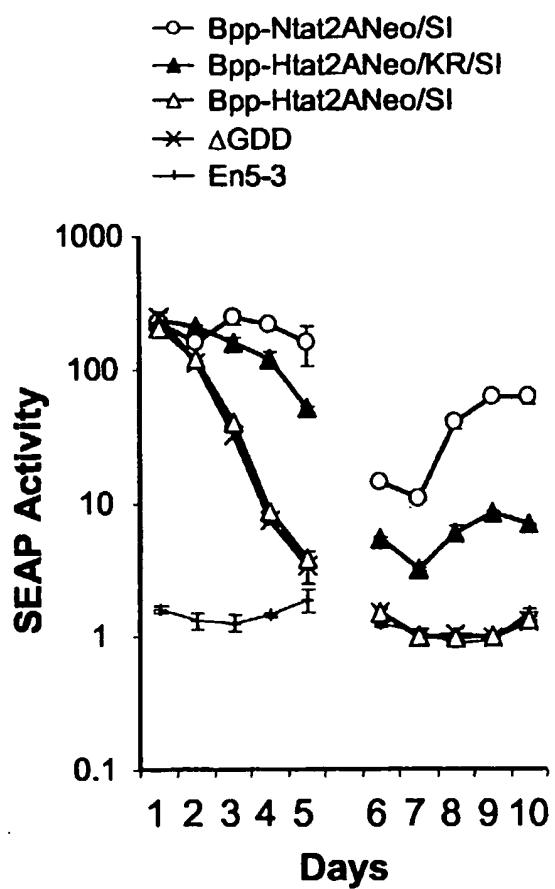
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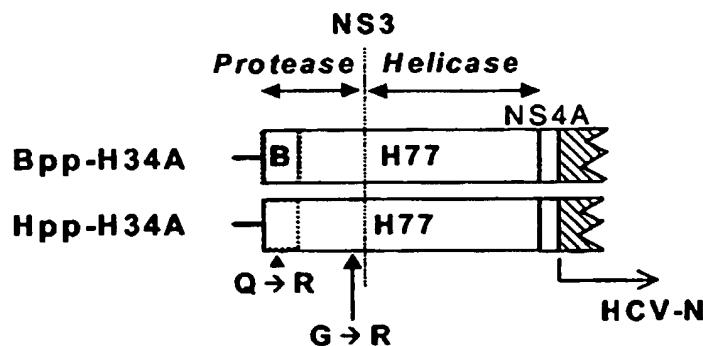
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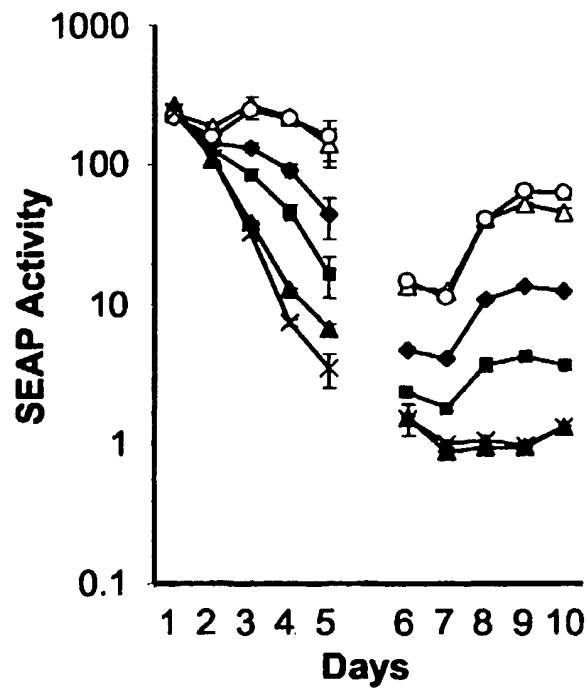
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Fig. 2

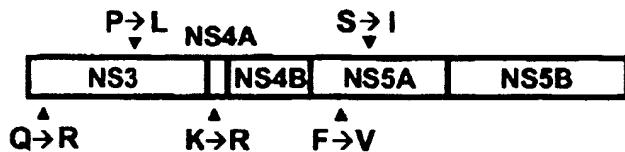
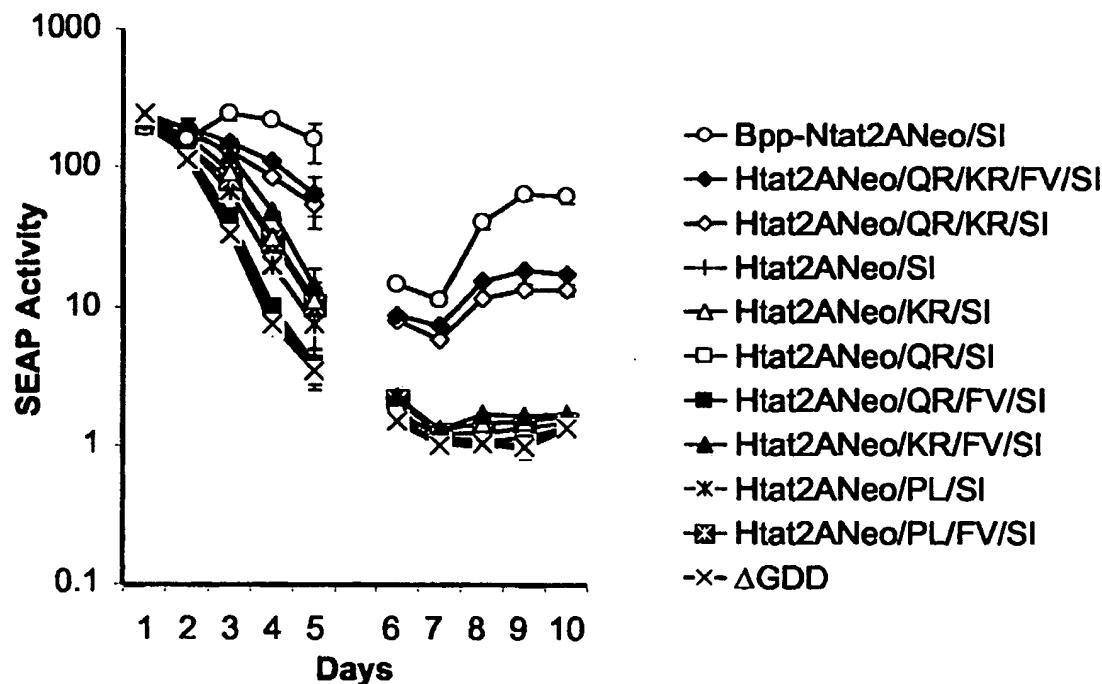
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Fig. 3A*Fig. 3B*

- Bpp-Ntat2ANeo/SI
- △— Bpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/SI
- ◆— Hpp-H34A-Ntat2ANeo/QR/SI
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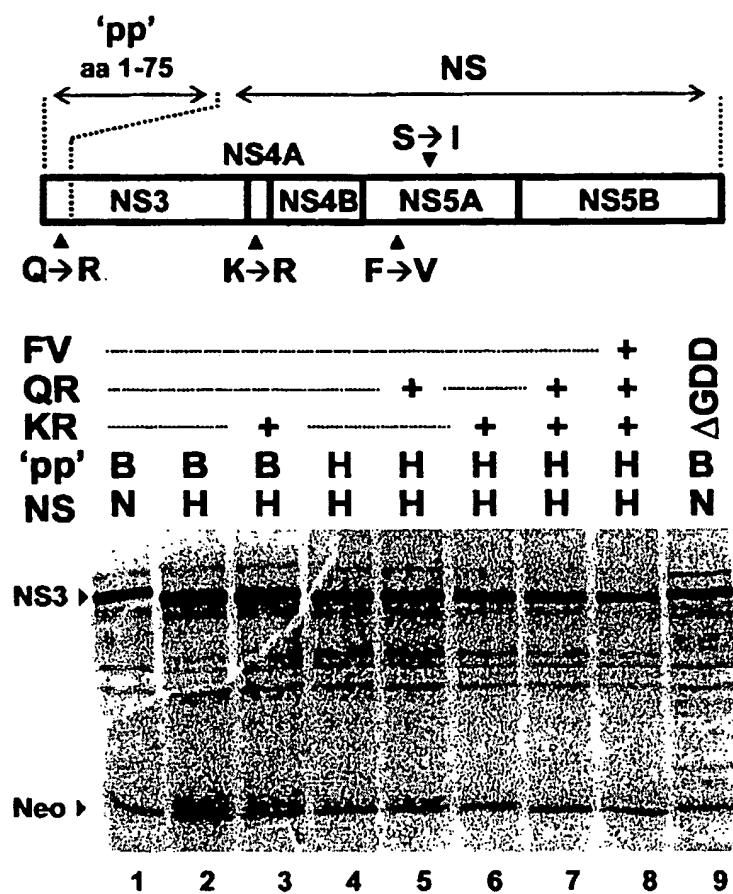


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Fig. 4A*Fig. 4B**Fig. 4C*

NS Substitutions					
SEAP	3p	3h	4A	5A	5A
-					SI
-			KR		SI
-	QR				SI
+++	QR		KR		SI
-	QR			FV	SI
+			KR	FV	SI
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+		PL			SI
+	PL		FV	SI	

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Fig. 5

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Fig. 6A

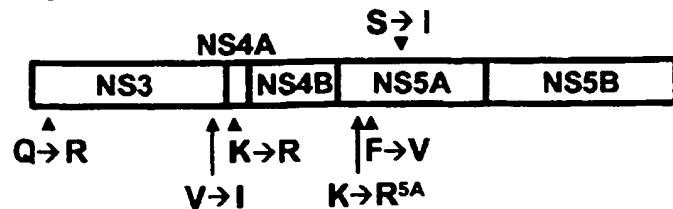
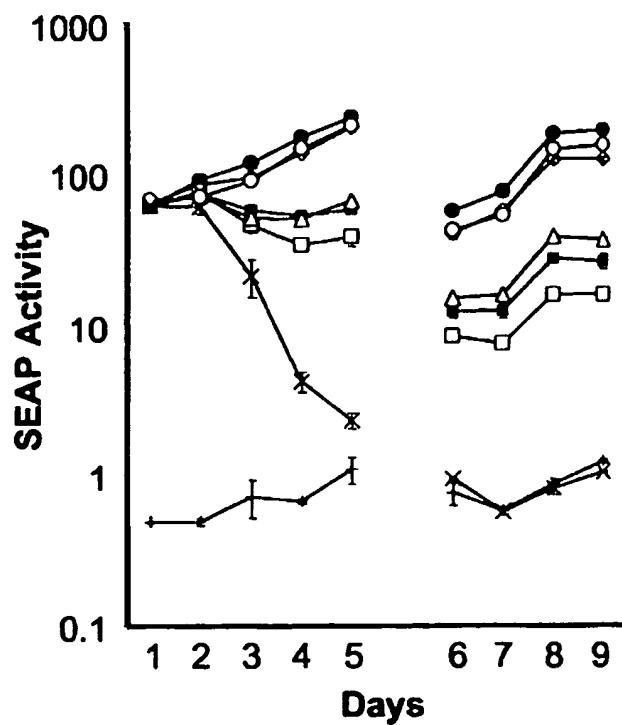
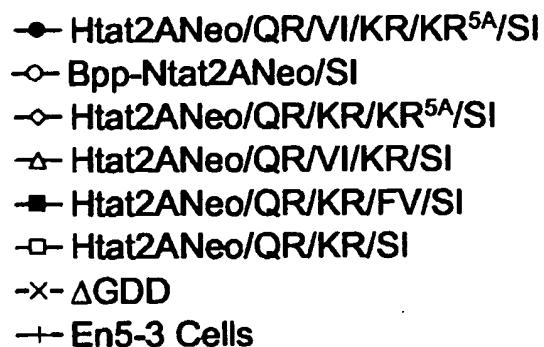
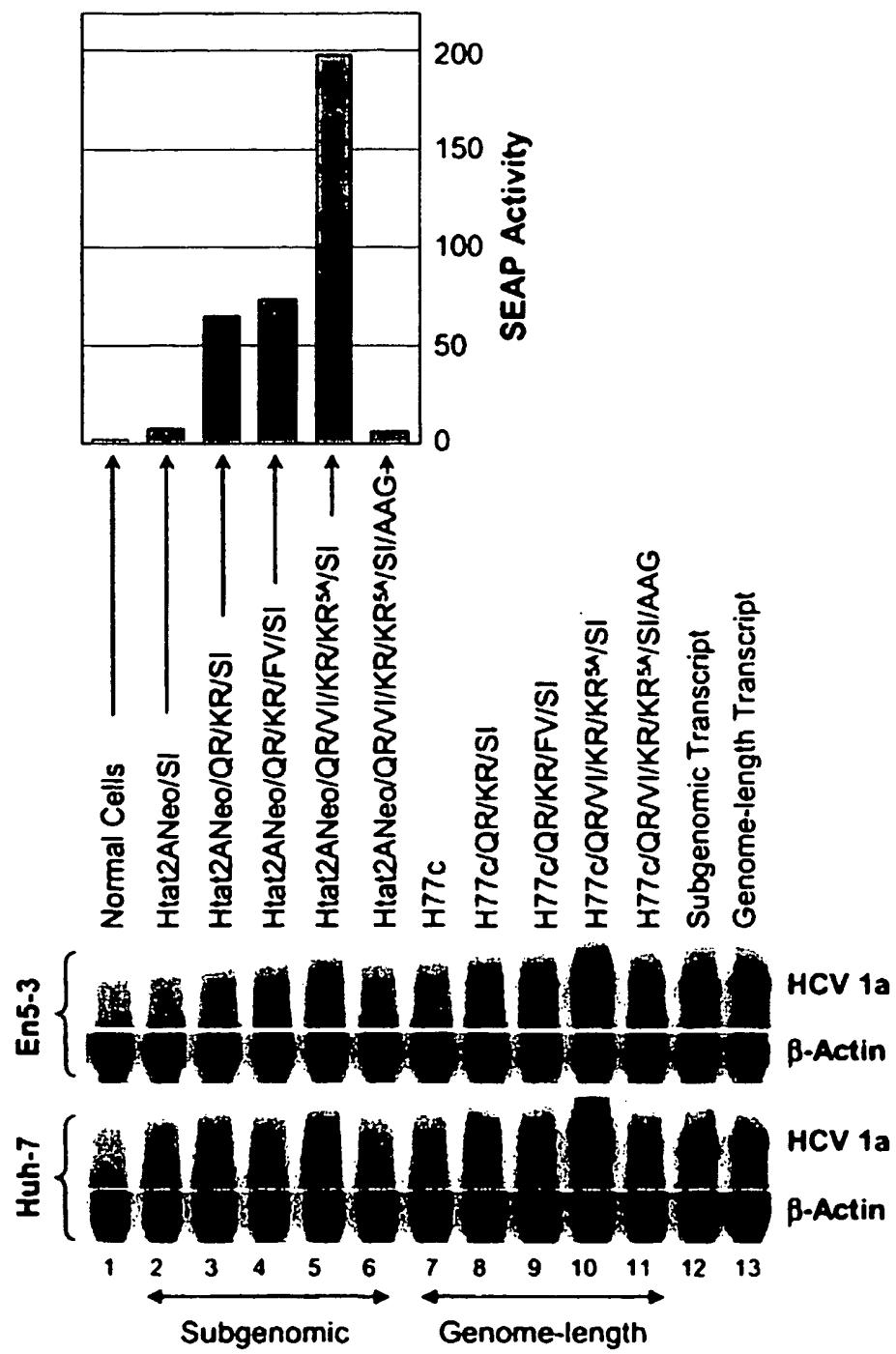


Fig. 6B



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Fig. 7



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Fig. 8A

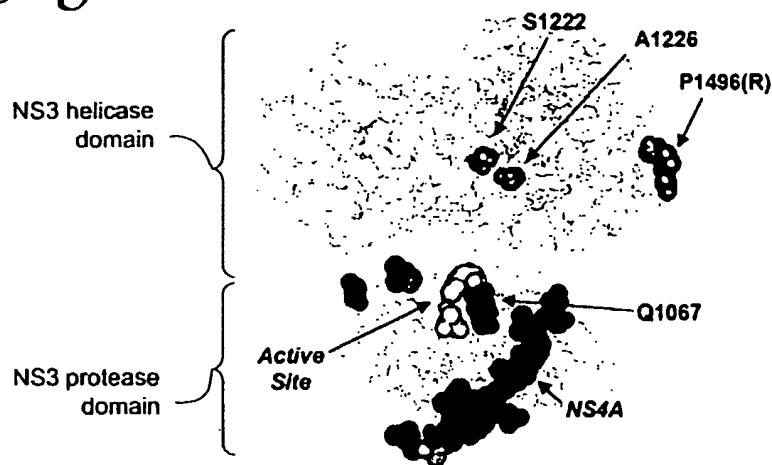


Fig. 8B

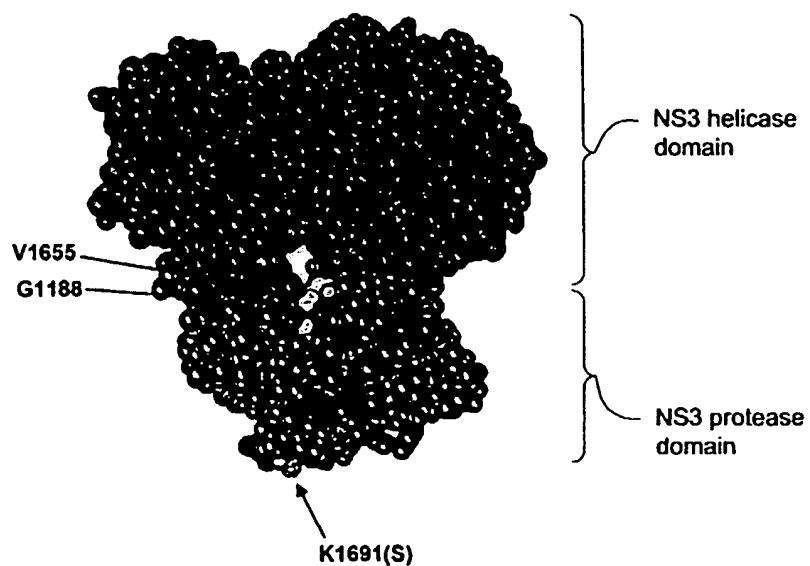
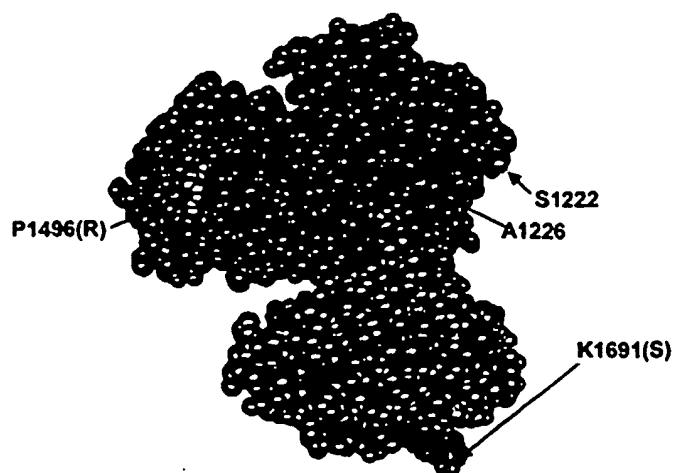


Fig. 8C



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Fig. 9

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Fig. 10A

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 201 ATACTGGCCT CTCGCAAGAT CATGTT

Fig. 10B

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Fig. 11A-1

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 1301 GGATGATGAT ATGAAACTGGT CCTGGCATGGC ACTGGGGAA GGTGCTGGT GGTGCTGGT GGTGCTGGT GGGGGGTCTC GGGGGGTCTC 1400
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 1701 GAGGGTGG CGAGCTGGC AGCCCTTAC GATTGGCC GGGGGGGG TCCATAGT GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT 1800
 1801 GGCACATACCC TCCAAGACCT TGTGGCATTTG TGCCCGCAA GAGGTTGTT GGGGGGGT ATTGCTTCAC TCCAGGGGG GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT 1900
 1901 CAGGTGGGC GGCCTTACCT ACAGCTGGG TGCAAAATGAT ACGGATGTT TGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT GGGGGGGT 2000
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 2101 GCAAACATCC GGAAGCCCAA TACTCTGGT GCGGCTTCCGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG 2200
 2201 TACCATCAAT TACACCATAT TCAAAGTCAG GATGTAACGTG GGAGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG 2300
 2301 CTGAGAGCA GGGAGGGTC CGAGCTCAGC CGGTGTCAGC GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG 2400
 2401 CGGGCTCTCAT CACACTCCAC CAGAACATTG TGGACGTGCA GTACTGTAC GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG 2500
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 4001 CCAGAGCTTC CAGGTGGCCC ACCTGATGC TCCAGGGTAAAGA GCGACCAAGGT GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG GGGGGGGGG 4100

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Fig. 11A-2

4101	CTCAACCCCT	CTGTTGCTGC	AACGGCTGGC	TITGCGCTT	ACATGTCCAA	GCCCCCATGGG	ATATCAGGAC	CGGGGTGAGA	ACATTACCCA	4200	
4201	CTGGGAGCCC	CATCACGTC	TCCACTAAC	GGCAAGTCC	TGCCGACGGC	GGGTGGCTCG	ATTGTTGAGC	AGTGGCACTC	CCACTGCTAC	4300	
4301	CACGGATGCC	ACATCCATCT	TGGGATCTGG	CACGTGCTCT	GACCAAGCAG	AGACTGCGGG	CCACTGCTAC	CCCTCCGGGC	CCACTGCTAC	4400	
4401	TCCGGTCACTG	TGTCCCATCC	TAACATCGAG	GAGGGTTGCTC	TGTCACCAC	GGAGGGCTAT	CCCCCTCGAG	GTGATCAAG	GTGATCAAG	4500	
4501	GGGGAAAGACA	TCTCATCTTC	TGCCACTCAA	AGAAAGAAATG	CGACGAGCTC	GGCGGAAGC	GGCATCAAT	GGGTGGCCT	ACTACCGCGG	4600	
4601	TCTTGACGTG	TCTGTCACTC	CGACCAAGGG	CGATGTTGTC	GTCGTGCGA	CCGATGCTCT	CATGACTGGC	TTTACCGGGG	ACTTCGACTC	4700	
4701	TGCAACACGT	TGTCACTCA	GACAGTCGAT	TTCAGCCCTG	ACCCCTACCTT	TACCATATGAG	ACAACCACGC	TCCCCCAGGA	TGCTGTTCTCC	AGGACTCAAC	4800
4801	GCCGGGGCAG	GACTGGCAGG	GGGAAGCCAG	GCATCTATA	ATTGTGGCA	CCGGGGGAGC	GCCCCCTCCGG	CATGTTGAC	TGCTCCGTC	TCTGTGAGTGTG	4900
4901	CTATGACGGC	GGCTGTGCTT	GGTATGAGCT	CACGCCCGC	GAGACTACAG	TTAGGCTACTG	AGCGTACATG	AAACACCCGGG	GGCTTCCCGT	GTGCCAGGAC	5000
5001	CATCTTGAAT	TTGGGAGGG	CGTCTTACAG	GGCCCTACCT	ATATAGATGC	CCACTTTTA	TCCCAAGACAA	AGCAGATGGG	GGAGAACCTT	CCTTACCTGG	5100
5101	TAGCGTACCA	AGCCACCGTG	TGCGCTAGGG	CTCAAGCCCC	TCCCCCATCG	TGGGACCA	TGTGGAAAGTG	TTTGTATCCG	CTTAACCCA	CCCTCCATGG	5200
5201	GCCAACACCC	CTGCTATACA	GAATGGGGCC	TGTTCAAGAA	GAAGTACCC	TGACGACACC	AATACCAA	TACATCATGA	CATGATGTC	GGCGGACCTG	5300
5301	GAGGTGCTCA	CGAGGACCTC	TGGGCTCGTT	GGGGGGGTC	TGGCTCTCT	GGCCGGCGTAT	TGCCCTGCTAA	CAGGCTGCGT	GGTCATAGTG	GGCAGGATCTG	5400
5401	TCTTGTCCGG	GAAGCCGGCA	ATTATACCTG	ACAGGGAGGT	TCTCTACCA	GAGTTGCGATG	AGATGAAAGA	GTGCTCTCA	CACTTACCGT	ACATCGAGCA	5500
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5601	TGGGAAAC	TGAGGGTCTT	TTGGGGAAG	CACATGTGG	ATTTCATCAG	TGGGATACA	TACTTGGGG	GCTGTCAAC	GCTGCTGGT	AACCCGCCA	5700
5701	TTGCTTCATT	GATGGCTTT	ACAGCTGCC	TACCAAGCCC	ACTAACACT	GGCCAACCC	TCCTCTTCAA	CATATGGGG	GGGGGGGG	CTGCCCCAGCT	5800
5801	CGGGCCCCCC	GGTGCCGCTA	CTGGCTTTGT	GGGTGTGCGC	CTAGCTGGC	CGGCCCATGG	CAGCGTTGGA	CTGGGAAAGG	TCCTCTGGGA	CATCTCTGCA	5900
5901	GGGTATGGCG	GGGGCGTGGC	GGGAGCTCTT	GTAGGCTATTCA	AGATCATGAG	CGGTGAGGT	CCCTCCACGG	AGGACCTGGT	CAATCTGCTG	CCGCCCATCC	6000
6001	TCTCGCTCTG	AGGCCCTTGT	GTGGGTGTTG	TCTGCGCAGC	AATACTGCGC	CGGCACGTTG	GCCCCGGCGA	GGGGCAGTG	CAATGGATGA	ACCGGCTTAAT	6100
6101	ACCCGCTCC	TGGGGGGGAA	ACCATGTTTC	CCCGACGCA	TACGTGCGG	AGAGCGATGC	GTCACTGCCA	TACTTGGGG	CCTCACTGTG	ATATGCGAGG	6200
6201	ACCGAGCTC	TGAGGGGACT	GCATCATGG	ATAAGCTGG	AGTGTACCC	TCCATGCTC	GGTGGACAT	CTGGGACTG	ATAGGAGTGG	CCGGCTGTG	6300
6301	TGCTGCGGCA	CTTAAAGGCC	TGGCTGAAGG	GGCAAGCTCC	GGCACACTC	CCTTCTGTGC	CTGCCAGGGC	GGGGTGGGG	GACCTGGTC	GACTGCGAGG	6400
6401	AGGAGACGGC	ATTATGCA	CTCGCTGGCA	CTGCTGGAGG	GAGATACCTG	GACATGTC	AAACGGGAGC	ATGAGGATC	TCGGGTCTAG	GACTGCGAGG	6500
6501	AAACATGTGG	GTGGGACGTT	CCCCATTAAC	GCCTTACACCA	CGGGCCCTG	TACTCCCTT	CCTGGCCCGA	ACTATAAGTT	CGCGCTGTG	AGGGTGTCTG	6600
6601	CAGGGAAATA	GTGGAAGATA	GGGGAGGTGG	GGGACTTCCA	CTACGTATCG	GGTATGACTA	CTGACAAATCT	TAATGGCCC	TGCCAGATTC	CATGCCCGA	6700
6701	ATTTTACA	GAATTGGACG	GGGTGGCCCT	ACACAGGGT	GGCCCCCTT	GCAAGCCCT	GCTGGGGGG	GAGGTATCAT	TCAGAGTGG	ACTCCACGAG	6800
6801	TACCGGGTGG	GCTGCGCAATT	ACCTTGGAG	CCCGGAACCGG	ACGTAGCGT	GTGTCAGTCC	ATGCTACTG	ATCCCTCCC	TATRACAGCA	GAGGGGGCCG	6900
6901	GGAGAAGGTT	GGGGAGGGG	TCACCCCCCT	CTATGGCCAG	CTCCTGGCT	AGCCAGCTGT	CCGCTCCATC	TCTCAAGGCA	ACTTGCACCG	CCAAACCATGA	7000
7001	CTTCCCTGAC	GCGGAGCTCA	TAGAGCTAA	CTTCCCTGTGG	AGGCAGGAGA	GGGGGGGG	GGGTCACTGA	GGGGGGGG	GGTGAAGTGG	TCCATTCTCTG	7100
7101	GACTCTTCTG	ATCCGGCTTGT	GGCAGAGGG	GTATGGAGG	AGGTCTCCGT	ACCTGCGAGA	GGGGGGGG	GGGGGGGG	ATTTCGGGG	GCCCTGTCCCC	7200
7201	TCTGGGGCG	GGCGGACTAC	AACCCCCCGC	TAGTAGAGAC	GGGGGGGG	CCTGACTAGC	AACCACCTG	GGCCATGGC	CACCTCCAC	CACCTCCAC	7300
7301	GTCCCTCTT	GGGGGGGG	CTCGGAAAGA	GGGTACGGTG	CTATGGCCAG	ATCTACCTG	TTGGCCGAGC	TTGCCACCAA	AAGTTTGGC	GGACAGCCAT	7400
7401	AGCTTCTCAA	CTTCCGGGCA	ATATGGACAA	CATCCCTGCA	GCCCCGGCC	TCTGGCTGCC	CCCGGGGG	CGACGTG	TGCTG	TCCTATCTCT	7500
7501	CCATGCCCTC	CCTGGGGGG	GAGGGGGGG	ATCCGGATCT	CAGCAGCGGG	GGGTCACTGA	TGGGGGGGG	ACGGGAAGATG	TGGGGGGGG	TGGRAGACAG	7600
7601	CTCATATGCT	TATTCCTGGA	CAGGGC	CAGGGC	CAGGGC	AAGAAACAAA	ACTGCCCCATC	AACGGCACTG	GCAACTCGTT	GCTACGCCAT	7700
7701	CACATCTGG	TGTATTCCAC	CACTTCACGC	AGTGTCTGCC	GGGGGGGG	GGGGGGGG	GGGGGGGG	GGGGGGGG	GGGGGGGG	TACAGGAC	7800
7801	TGCTCAAGGA	GGTCAAGGA	CTTCCGGGCA	AAGGTGAAGG	TAACTTGCTA	TCCGTAGAGG	AAGCTTGGCAG	CCGTGACGCC	CCACATCAG	CCAAATCCAA	7900
7901	GTGGGCTAT	GGGGCAAAAG	ACGTCCGTTG	CCATGCCAGA	AAGGCCGTAG	CCCACATCAA	CTCCGTGTTG	AAAGACCTTC	TGTRACACCA	8000	
8001	ATAGACACTA	CCATCATGGC	CAAGAACGAG	GTGTTCTGCG	TTCAGCCTGA	GAAGGGGGT	CGTAAGCCAG	CTCGTCTCAT	CGTGTCCCC	GACTGTTCCC	8100
8101	TGCGGTTG	CGAGAAGATG	GCCCTGTTAG	ACGTGGTTAG	CAAGCTCCCC	CTACGGATT	TGGGAAGTGA	TACCCGGTGA	TACCCGGTGA	CAGTCACATC	8200
8201	GGTTGAATT	CTACGGTCAAG	CAGTGGACG	TGTTGACTCCA	CAAGAAAGAC	CCGATGCCCC	CTGGCCGTTG	TCTCGTATGA	TACCCGGTGA	TACCCGGTGA	8300

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8301	CGTACGGAGG	AGGCAATTAA	CCAATGTTGT	GACCTGGACC	CCTAAGGCCG	CGTGGCCATC	AAGTCCTCA	CTGAGGGCT	TTATGTTGGG	GGCCCTCTTA	8400
8401	CCAATCAAG	GGGGAAAC	TGCGGGTAC	GCAGGGCCG	CCCGAGGGCG	GTACTGACA	CTAGCTGTTG	TAACACCTTC	ACTTGCTACA	TCAAGGCCCG	8500
8501	GGCAGCCTGT	CGAGCCGCA	GGCTCCAGGA	CTGGCACCATG	CTCGTTGTTG	GCGACGACTT	AGTCGTATTC	TGTGAAAGTG	CGGGGTCCA	GGAGGACGCCG	8600
8601	GCGAGCCTGA	GAGCCCTTCAC	GGAGGGCTATG	ACCAAGTTACT	CGGGCCCCC	CGGGGACCCC	CCACAAACCA	AATACGACTT	GGAGCTTATA	ACATCATGCT	8700
8701	CCTCCAACCGT	GTCAAGTCGCGC	ACCGAACGGG	CTGGAAAAGAG	GGCTACTAC	CTTACCCCGTG	ACCCCTAAC	CCCTACAAAC	GGGAGACAGC	GGGGAGCGGT	8800
8801	AAGACACACT	CCAGTCAATT	CCTGGCTAGG	CAACATAATC	AETTTGCC	CCACACTGTTG	GGCGAGGATG	ATACTGATGA	CCCATTCTT	TAGGGTCCTC	8900
8901	ATAGCCAGGG	ATCAGCTTGA	ACAGGCTCTT	AACTGTGAGA	TCTACGGAGC	CTGCTTACTTC	ATAGAACCC	TGGAATCTACC	TCCAATCATT	CAAAGACTCC	9000
9001	ATGGCCTCAG	GGCATTTICA	CTCCACACAGT	ACTCTCCAGG	TGAAATCAAT	AGGGTGGCCG	CATGCCCTCAG	AAAACCTGGG	GTCCC GCCCT	TGGGAGCTTG	9100
9101	GAGACACCGG	GCCCCGGAGGC	TCCCGGCTAG	GCTTCTGTTCC	AGGGAGGCA	GGGCTGCCAT	ATGTTGCRAG	TACCTCTTCA	ACTGGGGAGT	AAGGACRAARG	9200
9201	CTCAAACCTCA	CTCCAATAGCC	GGCCGGCTGGC	CGGCTGGACT	TETCCGGTTG	GTTCACGGGT	GGCTACAGGC	GGGGAGACAT	TTATCACAGC	GTGTCCTCATG	9300
9301	CCGGCCCCG	CTGGTTCTGG	TTTTGGCTAC	TCTGTCTCGC	TGAGGGGTA	GGCATCTAAC	TCCTCCCCAA	CCGATGAAGG	TGGGGTAA	CACTCCGGCC	9400
9401	TCTTAAGCCA	TTCCTCTGTT	TTTTTTTTT	TTTTTTTTT	TTTTTTCTT	TCCTTTCTT	TTTTTTTCTT	TTTTTTTCTT	TTTTTTTCTT	CCTCTCTTAA	9500
9501	TGGTGGCTCC	AICTTAGCCC	TAGTACGGC	AGTCTGTGA	GGCGCATGAC	TGCAGAGGT	GCTGATACTG	GCCTCTCTGC	AGATCATGTT	9599	100
	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	

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Fig. 11B-3

3042/901	ATT CTT CAA GCC AGT TTG CTT AAA GTC CCC TAC TTC GTG CGC CTT CTC CGG ATC TGC GCG CTA CGG CGG AAG ATA GCC GGA	3072/911	T I L Q A S L K V P Y F V R V Q G L L R I C A L R K I A G
3132/931	GGT CAT TAC GTG CAA ATG GCC ATC AAG TTA GGG GCG CTT ACT GGC ACC TAT GTG TAT Y V Y N H L T P L R D W A	3162/941	H N G L R D L A V A P V F S R M E T K L I T W G A D T
3222/961	CAC AAC GGC CTC CGA GAT CTG GCC GTG GCT GTG GAA CCA GTC GTC TTC TCC CGA ATG GAG ACC AAG CTC ATC ACG TGG GCG	3252/971	G H Y V Q M A I K L G A L T G T V Y N H L T P L R D W A
3312/991	GCC GCG TGC GGT GAC ATC ATC AAC GGC TTG CCC GTC TCT GCC CGT AGG GGC CAG GAG ATA CTG CTT GGG CCA GCC GCA ATG GTC TCC	3342/1001	A A C G D I I N G L P V S A R R G Q E I L L G P A D G M V S
3402/1021	AAG GGG TGG AGG TTG CTG GCG CCC ATC ACG TAC GCC CAG CAG AGA GGG CTC CTA GGG TGT ATA ATC ACC AGC CTG ACT GGC CGG	3432/1031	K G W R L L A P I T A Y A Q Q T R G L L G C I I T S L T G R
3492/1051	GAC AAA AAC CAA GTG GAG GGT GAG GTC CAG ATC GTG TCA ACT GCT ACC CAA ACC TTC CTG GCA ACG TGC ATC AAT GGG GTA TGC TGG ACT	3522/1061	D K N Q V E G E V I V S T A T Q F L A T Q F L A T Q M Y T N V D Q D L V G
3582/1081	GTC TAC CAC GGG GCC GGA ACG AGG ACC ATC GCA TCA CCC AAG GGT CCT GTC ATC CAG ATG TAT ACC AAT GTG GAC CAA GAC CTT GTG GGC	3612/1091	V Y H G A G T I A S P K G P V I Q M Y T N V D Q D L V G
3672/1111	TGG CCC GCT CCT CAA GGT TCC CGC TCA TTG ACA CCC TGT ACC TGC GGC TCC TCG GAC CTT TAC CTG GTC ACG AGG CAC GCC GAT GTC ATT	3702/1121	W P A P Q G S R S L T P C T C G S S D L Y L V T R H A D V I
3762/1141	CCC GTG CGC CGG CGA GGT GAT AGC AGG GGT AGC CTT TCG CCC CCC ATT TCC TAC TTG AAA GGC TCC TCG GGG GGT CCG CTG TTG	3792/1151	P V R R G D S R G S L L S P R I S Y L K G S S G G P L L
3852/1171	TGC CCC GCG GGA CAC GCC GTG GGC CTA TTC AGG GGC GTG TGC ACC CGT GGA GTG GCT GCA GTG CCC ATT TCC TAC TTG AAA GGC TCC TCG GGG GGT CCG CTG TTG	3882/1181	C P A G H A V G L F R A A V C T R G V A K A V D F I P V E N
3942/1201	CTA GGG ACA ACC ATG AGA TCC CCG GTG TTC ACG GAC AAC TCC TCT CCA GCA GTG CCC CAG AGC TTC CAG GTG GCC CAC CTG CAT GCT	3972/1211	L G T T M R S P V F T D N S S P P A V P Q S F Q V A H L H A
4032/1231	CCC ACC GGC AGC GGT AAG ACC AAG GTC CCG GCT TAC GCA GCC CAG GGC TAC AAG GTG TTG GTC CTC AAC CCC TCT GTT GCT GCA	4062/1241	P T G S G K S T K V P A A Y A A Q G Y K V L N P S V A A
4122/1261	ACG CTG GGC TTT GGT GCT TAC ATG TCC AAG GCC CAT GGG GTT GAT CCT AAT ATC AGG ACC GGG GTG AGA ACA ATT ACC ACT GGC AGC CCC	4152/1271	T L G F G S K A Y M S K A H G V D P N I R T G S P
4212/1291	ATC ACG TAC TCC ACC TAC GGC AAG TTC CTT GCC GAC GGC GGG TGC TCA GGA GGT TAT GAC ATA ATA ATT TGT GAC GAG TGC CAC TCC	4242/1301	I T Y S T Y G K F L A D G G C S G G A Y D I I C D E C H S
4302/1321	ACG GAT GCC ACA TCC ATC TTG GGC ATC GGC ACT GTC CTT GAC CAA GCA GAG ACT GCG GGG GCG AGA CTC GTG CTC GCC ACT GCT ACC	4332/1331	T D A T S I L G T V L D Q A E T A G A R L V L A T A T

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Fig. 11B-5

5742/1801	CTA ACC ACT GGC CAA ACC CTC CTC TTC AAC ATA TTG GGG GGT GCT GGC CAG CTC GCT GCC CCC GGT GCC CCG CTC GTC GGC CCG CCC GGT GCT ACT GCC TTT GTG	5802/1821	GCC GGC CTC GCT GGC GCC GGC ATC GGC AGC GTT GGA CTG GGG AAG GTC CTC GTG GAC ATT CTT GCA GGG TAT GGC GCG GGC GTG GCG
5832/1831	GCT GGT GGC CTA GCT GGC GGC GGC ATC GGC AGC GTT GGA CTG GGG AAG GTC CTC GTG GAC ATT CTT GCA GGG TAT GGC GCG GGC GTG GCG	5892/1851	A Q L A P G A T A F V
5922/1861	GGA GCT CTT GTA GCA TTC AAG ATC ATG AGC GGT GTC CCC TCC ACC GAG GAC CTG GTC ATT CTT GTC CCC GCC ATC CTC TCG CCT GGA	5982/1881	G A L V A F K I M S G E V P S T E D L V N L P A I L S P G
6012/1891	GCC CTT GTA GTC GGT GTG GTC TGC GCA GCA ATA CTG CGC CGG CAC GTT GGC CCG GGC GAG GGG GCA GTG CAA TG GAT AAC CGG CTA ATA	6072/1911	A L V V G V C A A I L R R H V G P G E G A V W M N R L I
6102/1921	GCC TTC GCC TCC CGG GGG AAC CAT GTT TCC CCC ACG CAC TAC GTG CCG GAG AGC GAT GCA GGC CGC GTC ACT GCC ATA CTC AGC AGC	6162/1941	A F A S R G N H V S P T H Y V P E S D A A R V T A I L S S
6192/1951	CTC ACT GTA ACC CAG CTC CTG AGG CGA CTG CAT CAG TGG ATA AGC TCG GAG TGT ACC ACT CCA TGC TCC GGT TCC AGG GAC ATC	6252/1971	L T V T Q L R R L H Q W I S S E C T P C S G S W L R D I
6282/1981	TGG GAC TGG ATA TGC GAG GTG CTC AGC GAC TTT AAG ACC TGG CTG AAA GCC AAG CTC ATG CCA CAA CTG CCT GGG ATT CCC TTT GTG TCC	6342/2001	W D W I C E V L S D F K T W L K A K L M P Q L P G I P F V S
6372/2011	TGC CAG CGC GGG TAT AGGG GGG GTC TGG CGA GGA GAC GGC ATT ATG CAC ACT CGC TGC CAC TGT GGA GCT GTC ACT GGA CAT GTC AAA	6432/2031	C Q R G Y R G V W R G D G I M H T R C H C G A E I T G H V K
6462/2041	AAC GGG ACG ATG AGG ATC GTG GGT CCT AGG ACC TGC AGG AAC ATG TGG AGT GGG AGC TTC CCC ATT AAC GCC TAC ACC AGG CCC TGT	6522/2061	N G T M R I V G P R T C R N N W S G T F P I N A Y T T G P C
6552/2071	ACT CCC CTT CCT GGG CGG AAC TAT AAG TTC GCG CTG TGG AGG GTG TCT GCA GAG TAC GTG GAG ATA AGG CGG GTG GGG GAC TTC CAC	6612/2091	T P L P A N Y K F A L W R V S A E E Y V E I R R V G D F H
6642/2101	TAC GTA TCG GGT ATG ACT ACT GAC AAT CTT AAA TGC CCG TGC CAG ATC CCA TCG CCC GAA TTT TTC ACA GAA TTG GAC GGG GTG CGC CTA	6702/2121	H R F A P P C K P L R E V S F R V G L H E Y P V G S Q L
6732/2131	CAC AGG TTT GCG CCC CCT TGC AAG CCC TTG CCG GAG GAG GTC TCA TTC AGA GTC GGA CTC CAC GAG TAC CGG GTG GGG TCA	6792/2151	P C E P E P D V A V L T S M L T D P S H I T A E A G R R L
6822/2161	CCT TGC GAG CCC GAA CGG GAC GTA GCC GTG TTG ACG TCC ATG CTC ACT GAT CCC TCC CAT ATA ACA GCA GAG CGG GCC GGG AGA AGG TGT	6882/2181	A R G S P P S M A S S Q L S A P S L K A T C T A N H D
7002/2221	TCC CCT GAC GCC GAG CTC ATA GAG GCT AAC ATG GAG AGG CAG GAG ATG GGC GGC AAC ACC AGG GTT GAG TCA GAG AAC APA GTG	7062/2241	S P D A E L I E A N L W R Q E M G N I T R V E S E N K V
6912/2191	GCG AGA GGG TCA CCC CCT TCT ATG GCC AGC TCC TCG GCT AGC CAG CTG TCC GCT GCA ACT TGC ACC GCC AAC CAT GAC	6972/2211	

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Fig. 11B-6

7092/2251	GTC ATT CTG GAC TCC TTC GAT CCG CTT GTG GAG GAT GAG CGG GAG GTC TCC GTA	7122/2261	GCA GAG GAT GAG CGG GAG GTC TCC GTA																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																														
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Fig. 11B-7

8442/2701	GCG AGC GGC GTA CTG ACA ACT AGC TGT GGT AAC ACC CTC ACT TGC TAC ATC AAG GCC CGG GCA GCC TGT CGA GCC GGG CTC CAG GAC	8472/2711	GAA CAC TCC TGT GAA AGT GCG GGG GTC CAG GAG GAC GCG AGC CTG AGA GCC TTC ACG	8502/2721
A S G	V L T S C G	N T L T C Y I K A R A C R A A G L Q D	8562/2741	8562/2751
8532/2731	TGC ACC ATG CTC GTG TGT GGC GAC GAC TTA GTC GTT ATC TGT GAA AGT GCG GGG GTC CAG GAG GAC GCG AGC CTG AGA GCC TTC ACG	C T M L V C G D D L V I C E S A G V Q E D A A S L R A F T	8652/2771	8652/2781
8622/2761	GAG GCT ATG ACC AGG TAC TCC GCC CCC GGG GAC CCC CCA CAA GAA TAC GAC TTG GAG CCT ATA ACA TCA TGC TCC TCC AAC GTG	E A M T R Y S A P P D P Q P E Y D L E L I T S C S N V	8742/2801	8772/2811
8712/2791	TCA GTG CAC GAC GGC GCT GGA AAG AGG GTC TAC CCT ACC CGT GAC CCT ACA ACC CCC CTC GCG AGA GCC GCG TGG GAG ACA GCA	S V A H D G A G K R V Y L T R D P T T P L A R A W E T A	8802/2821	8832/2831
8892/2851	AGA CAC ACT CCA GTC AAT TCC TGG CTA GGC AAC ATA ATC ATG TTT GCC CCC ACA CTG TGG GCG AGG ATG ATA CTG ATG ACC CAT TTC TTT	R H T P V N S W L G N I M F A P T L W A R M I L N T H F F	8922/2861	8952/2871
8998/2881	AGC GTC CTC ATA GCC AGG GAT CAG CTT GAA CAG GCT CTT AAC TGT GAG ATC TAC GGA GCC TGC TAC TCC ATA GAA CCA CTC CCT	S V L I A R D Q L E Q A L N C E I Y G A C Y S I E P L D L P	9012/2891	9042/2901
9072/2911	CCA ATC ATT CAA AGA CTC CAT GGC CTC AGC GCA ATT TCA CTC CAC AGT TAC TCT CCA GGT GAA ATC AAT AGG GTG GCC GCA TGC CTC AGA	P I I Q R L H G L S A F S L H S Y S P G E I N R V A A C L E	9102/2921	9132/2931
9162/2941	AAA CTT GGG GTC CCG CCC TTG CGA GCT TGG AGA CAC CGG GCC CGG AGC GTC CGC GCT AGG CTT CTG TCC AGA GGA GGC AGG GCT GCC ATA	K L G V P P L R A W R H R A R S V R L S R G G R A A I	9192/2951	9222/2961
9252/2971	TGT GGC AAG TAC CTC TTC AAC TGG GCA GTA AGA ACA AAG CTC AAA CTC ACT CCA ATA GCG GCT GGC CGG CTG GAC TTG TCC GGT TGG	C G K Y L F N W A V R T K L T P I A A G R L D L S G W	9282/2981	9312/2991
9342/3001	TTC ACG GCT GGC TAC AGC GGC GGA GAC ATT TAT CAC AGC GTG TCT CAT GCC CGG CCC CGC CGG CGG CTC CTC GCT	F T A G Y S G G D I Y H S V S H A R P R W F W F C L L L A	9372/3011	9402/3021
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Fig. 12A-1

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 101 TGTCTGCAAG CCTCCAGGAC CCCCCCTCCC GGGAGAGCCA TAGGGTCTG
 201 GATAAACCGG CTCAAAGCCT GGAGATTGG GCGAGACTGC
 301 GTGCTTGGA GTGCCCGGG AGGTCCTGTA GACCGTGCAC CATGGAGCCA
 401 TGCTTGACCC AATTGCTATT GTAAAAGTGT TGCTTTCAT TGCCAAGTT
 501 CAGGCAGGA GACCTCTCA AGCCAGTCAG ACTCATCAG TTCTCTATC
 601 ATTTCGACCT TCTTAAGCTT GCGGGAGACG TCGAGTCAA CCCCTGGGCC
 701 CGCTTGGGTG GAGGGCTAT TCGGGCTATGA CTGGCACAA CAGAACATCG
 801 CTTTTGTCA AGACCGACCT TGCAAGGACA TGCAAGGAGCA
 901 TGCTCAGCT TGTCACTGAA GCGGGAGGGG ACTGGTGTCT ATTGGGCAA
 1001 ATCCATCATG GCTGAGCCTA TGCGGGGGCT GCATACGCTT GATCGGGCTA
 1101 CGATGGAAAG CGGGTCTTGT CGATCAGGAT GATCTGGACG AAAGGCAATCA
 1201 AGGGCAGGA TCTCGTGTG ACCCATGGGG ATGCTGCTT GCGGAATATC
 1301 CGCTATCAGG ACATAGCGTT GGCTACCCGT GATATTGCTG
 1401 GCGGCTCCCG ATTGAGGGC CATCGCCTC TATCGCCTC TTGACGAGTT
 1501 CGCCGCTCTC CCTCCCCCCC CCCTAACGTT ACTGGCGAA GCGCCTTGGG
 1601 CTTTGGCAA TGTGAGGGCC CGGAAACCTG CTCCTGTCTT CTTGACGAGC
 1701 TGCTCGTGAAG GAAGCAGTTC CTTCTGGAAAGC TTCTTGAAGA CAAACAACTG
 1801 CTCCTGGGGC AAAAGCCACG TGATAAAGAT AGACCTGCAA AGGGGGCACA
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 2101 CAGGAGCAGG TAAAGGGCTT AGGGCTCCT ATCACAGCC TGACTGGGG
 2201 AACACTTCCCT GGCAGACGGC ATCAATGGGG TATGCTGGAC
 2301 GTATACCAAT GTGGACCAAG ACCCTTGTGGG CTGGCCGGCT
 2401 ACGGAGGCAG CGGATGTCAT TCCGGTGCCT CGGGAGGGT
 2501 GTCCGGCTGT ACCATGAGAT CCCGGTGTGTT CACGGACAAC
 2601 CCTAGGGACA GCACCAAGGT CCCGGCTGCG TAGCAGGCC
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 3401 ACCCTTACCTT TACCATGAG ACAACCACGC
 3501 ATTTGTGGCA CGGGGAGC GCCCTCGGG
 3601 GAGACTACAG TTAGGCTACAG AGCGTACATG
 3701 ATATAGATGC CCACTTTTA TCCCAAGACAA
 3801 TCCCCCATG TGGGACCGA TGTTGAGGT
 3901 GAAAGTCACCC TGACGGACCC AATCACAAA
 4001 TGGCTGCTCT GGCGGGTAT TGGCTGTCAA
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 1 GAAACTACTG TCTTCACGCC TCCGAAACGGG GAAATTGCAG
 101 GCGAAAGGCC TAGCCGAGTA GTGTTGGT
 201 GTGTTGTAAT GCGTGTACT
 301 CTGGAAAGCAT CCAGGAAGTC AGGCTAAAC
 400 GAGGGGGAGA GAAAGGGAGA
 500 CCGGACAGGG CCGGAGGG
 600 GTTCTCCGGC
 700 TTGACGCCAG
 800 GCGCCCCGGT
 900 TGCGCAGCTG
 1000 CCGAGAAAG
 1100 AGCACGTA
 1200 CGCATGCCG
 1300 ATCGACTGTG
 1400 TTACGGTAC
 1500 GGATCAATC
 1600 ATATTGGCGT
 1700 GTCTGTTGAA
 1800 CGACAGGGTC
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 3500 GCATCTATAG
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 3700 GAGGGGGAGA
 3800 GAGGGGGAGA
 3900 GAGGGGGAGA
 4000 GAGGGGGAGA
 4100 GAGGGGGAGA

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4101	TCTCTACCA	GAGTTCGATG	AGATGGAAGA	G1GCTCTCAG	CACTTACCGT	ACATCGAGCA	AGGGATGATG	C1C9CTGAGC	AGTTCAAGCA	GAAGGCCCTC	4200
4201	GGCCCTCCTGC	AGACCCGGTC	CCGCCATGCC	GAGGTATGCA	CCCTCTGTT	CGACCAAC	TGGCAGAAC	TGAGGCTCTT	TGAGGGAAG	CACATGTTGA	4300
4301	ATTCACTAG	TGGCATACAA	TACTTCTGAA	GCCCTGTCAC	GCTGCCCTGT	AACCCCGCA	TGGCAGAAC	TGGCCTTAC	TGGCAGAAC	TCRCCAGCCC	4400
4401	ACTAACCT	GCCAAACCC	CATATGGGG	TCCATTTCAA	GGGGGGTGG	CTGCCCAAGCT	GGGGGGCCC	GGGGGGCTA	GGGGGGCTA	GGGGGGCTG	4500
4501	CTAGCTGGCG	CGGGCATGGC	CGGGCATGGC	CTGGGTTGG	CTCTCTGGA	CATTCTTGA	GGGTATGGG	GGGGGTGG	GGGGGTGG	GTAGCAATTCA	4600
4601	AGATCATGAG	GGGTGAGGTG	GGGGGGAGTG	CCCTCACGG	AGGACCTGGT	CCGCCATTC	TCTCGCTGG	AGGCCCTGG	TGAGGCTCTT	GGGGGGCTT	4700
4701	AATACTGCGC	GGGACGTTG	GCCCCGGGA	GCCCCGGCA	GTCACTGCCA	ACCGGCTAA	AGCCTCGCC	TCCGGGGGA	ACCATGTTT	CCCACGGCAC	4800
4801	TACGTGCCG	AGAGCGATGC	AGCCGCCGC	TACTAGCAG	CCTCACTGTA	ACCCAGCTCC	TGAGGCGACT	GCATGTTGG	ATAAGCTCGG	4900	
4901	AGTGTACCA	TCCATGCTCC	GGTTCCTGGC	TAAGGGACAT	CTGGGACTGG	ATATGCGAGG	TGCTGAGCGA	CTTAAGAAC	TGGCTGAAG	CCAAGCTCAT	5000
5001	GCCACAACTG	CCTGGGATTC	CCTGGGATTC	CTGGCAGGC	GGGTATAGGG	GGGTCTGGG	AGGAGCGGC	GGGTGACGGC	ATATGCA	CTCGCTGCCA	5100
5101	GAGATCACTG	GACATGTCAA	AAACGGGACG	ATGAGGATCG	TCGGTCCTAG	GACCTGCAAGG	AACATGTTGG	GTCGGACGTT	CCCCATTAAC	GCCTACACCA	5200
5201	CGGGCCCCGT	TACTCCCCCT	CTCGGCCGGA	ACTATAAAGT	CGCGCTGTGG	AGGGTGTCTG	CAGGAGAATA	CGTGGAGAGATA	AGGGGGGG	GGGACTTCCA	5300
5301	CTACGTATCG	GTTATGACTA	CTGACAATCT	TAATGCCCCG	TGCCAGATCC	CATCGCCCCG	ATTTTCA	GGTGGAGAGC	ACACAGGTT	ACACAGGTT	5400
5401	GGCCCTCCCT	GCAAGCCCC	GCAAGCCCC	GCTGGGATTC	ATGCTGAGG	ACTGGCAGG	TACCCGGGG	GGCTGGGAT	ACCTGGCAGG	CTGTGGGAGC	5500
5501	ACGTGCGCT	GGTGAATGTC	ATGCTCACTG	ATGCTCTCCA	TATAACAGCA	GAGGGGGCCG	GGAGAAGGGT	GGGGAGAGGG	TCACCCCTT	CTATGGCCCG	5600
5601	CTCCCTCGGCT	AGCCAGCTGT	CCGCTCCATC	TCTCAAGGA	ACTTGGACCG	CACAACTGAA	CTCCCCCTGAC	GCAGAGCTCA	TAGAGCTAA	CCTCTCTGTT	5700
5701	AGGCAGGAGA	TGGGGGGCAA	CATACCCAGG	GTGAGTCTG	AGAACCAAAGT	GTGATTTCTG	GAECTCTCTG	ATCCGGTTGT	GGCAGGGGG	GTAGGAGGGG	5800
5801	AGGTCTCGT	ACCTTGCAAGA	ATTCTGGGA	AGTCTGGGA	ATTCTGGGG	GCCCTGGGG	TCTGGGCGCG	GGGGACTACTAC	AACCCCCGG	TAGTAGAGAC	5900
5901	GTGGAAAAAG	CCTGACTAAG	AACCACCTGT	GGTCCATGG	TGCCCCGCTAC	CACCTCCACG	GTCCCCCTCT	GGTGGAAAAA	CTCGGAA	GGGTACGGGT	6000
6001	GTCCCTACCG	ATCAACCT	ATCTACTGCC	TTGGCCGAGC	TGGCACCAA	AGCTCTCAA	CTTCGGGCAT	TACGGGGAC	AATACGACAA	6100	
6101	CATCTCTGAA	GCCCCCCCCCT	TCTGGCTGCC	CCCCCGACTC	CGACGTGTAG	TCCTTATTCCT	CCATGGCCCC	CCTGGAGGGG	ATCCGGATCT	6200	
6201	CAGGACGGG	TCATGGTCAA	CGGTAGTAG	TGGGGCCGAC	ACGGAAGATG	TCGTGTGTCTG	CTCAATGTCT	TATTCCTGGAA	CAGGGCACT	CGTCACCCCCG	6300
6301	TGCGCTGGG	AGAAACAAA	ACTGCCATC	AACGCCACTG	GCAACTCGTT	GCTACGCCAT	CACAAATCTGG	TGTTATCTGG	CACITCTAAC	AGTGTGTGCC	6400
6401	AAAGGCAGAA	GAAGGTCAA	TTTGACAGCA	TGCAAGTTCT	GGCACATGCC	TACCACTCAA	TGCTCAAGGA	GGGGAAAGCA	GGGGAAAGCA	AGTGTGTGCC	6500
6501	TAACCTGCTA	TCCGTAGGG	AAGCTGTCAG	CTGACGCC	CTACGGATTAC	CCACATCAG	CCAAATCTGG	GGGGAAAGAA	AGGCAATTAA	CCATGCCAGA	6600
6601	AAGGCCGTAG	CCCCATCAA	CTCACATCAA	CTGAGCTTC	TTATGGGG	GGCCCTCTTA	CCAATCAAG	GGGGAAAAAC	CCATCAATGGC	TGCGGTAC	6700
6701	TTCAGCTGCA	GAAGGGGGGT	CGTAAAGGG	CTCGTCTCAT	CGTGTTCCTC	GACCTGGGG	TGCGCTGTG	CGAGGAGATG	GGCCCTGTAC	ACCTGGTTAG	6800
6801	CAAGCTCCCC	CTGGGGCTGA	TGGGAAGCT	CCATGACGCC	CTACGGATTAC	CAGGACAGCG	GGTGGCTATC	CTCGTGTGAA	GGGGAAAGTC	CGGGAAAGTC	6900
6901	CCGATGGGGT	TCTCGTATGA	TACCGCTGT	TCTGACTCCA	CAGTCAGTGA	GGGGACACATC	CCATGCAATT	CCATGCAATT	CCAATGTTG	GACCTGGACC	7000
7001	CCCAAGCCCC	CGTGGCCATC	AAGTCCTCA	CTGAGGAGGT	TTATGGGG	GGGGAAAGACAT	CCATGCAATT	GGGGAAAGAC	CCATGCAATT	CCATGCAATT	7500
7101	CGCGAGGGC	GTACTGACAA	CTAGCTGTGG	TAACACCCCT	ACTTGCTACA	TAGCGTCTCT	ATAGCAGGG	ATAGCAGGG	ACAGGCTCT	AACGTGTGAGA	7600
7201	CTCGTGTGTG	GCGAGGACTT	AGTCGTTATC	TGGTAAGTG	CGGGGGTCCA	GGAGGACGGG	GGGGCTTCAC	GGGGCTTCAC	GGGGCTTCAC	GGGGCTTCAC	7300
7301	CCGGCCCCCC	CGGGGACCCC	CCACACCCAG	ATACTGACTT	GGAGCTTATA	ACATCATGCT	CCATGCAATT	GGGGCTTCAC	GGGGCTTCAC	GGGGCTTCAC	7400
7401	GGTCTACTAC	CTTACCCCGT	ACCCCTAAC	CCCCCTCGCG	AGAGCCGGGT	GGGGAGACAG	GGGGAGACAG	GGGGAGACAG	GGGGAGACAG	GGGGAGACAG	7500
7501	ATGTTGGCC	CCACACTGTG	GGCGAGGGATG	ATACTGATGA	CCCATTCTT	TAGCGTCTCT	ATAGCAGGG	ATAGCAGGG	ATAGCAGGG	ATAGCAGGG	7600
7601	TCTACGGAGC	CTGCTACTCC	ATAGAACACC	TGGATCTAC	TCCAATCTT	CAAGACTCT	CTCCACAGT	CGCATTTTC	CTCCACAGT	ACTCTCCAGG	7700
7701	TGAATCAAT	AGGGTGGCCT	CATGCTCAG	AAAACCTGGG	GTCCCCCTCA	TGCGAGGCTT	GAGAACCCGG	GGCCGGAGGG	TCCGCGCTAG	GCTCTGTGTC	7800
7801	AGAGGAGGCA	GGGCTGCCAT	ATGTGCAAG	TACCTCTTCA	ACTGGGCACT	AAGAACAAAG	CTCAAACACTA	CTCCAAATAGC	GGCCGGCTGGC	CGGCTGGACT	7900
7901	TGTCCGGTTG	CTTCACGGCT	GGCTACAGCG	GGGGAGACAT	TTATCACAGC	GTGTCTCAATG	CCGGGGCCCC	CTGGTTCTGG	TTTTGCTCTAC	TCCTGCTCTGC	8000
8001	TGCAAGGGTA	GGCATCTAAC	TCCTCCCAA	CCGATGAAGG	TTGGGGTAAA	CACTCCGGCC	TCTTAAGCCA	TTTCCTGTGT	TTTTTTTTTT	TTTTTTTTTT	8100
8101	TTTTTCTTTT	TTTTTCTTCTT	TCCTTCTTCTT	TTTTTCTTCTT	TTTTTCTTCTT	CCTCTTTAA	TGGTGGCTCC	ATCTTAAGCCC	TAGTCAAGGC	TTAGCTGTGAA	8200
8201	AGGTCCGTGA	GCCGCACTGAC	TGCAAGAGGT	GCTGATACTG	GCCTCTCTGC	AGATCATGATG	GGTCGGCATG	GCATCTCCAC	CTCCCTCGGGG	TCACGACCTGG	8300

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8301	GCATTCGGAA	GAGGACGCC	GTCCACTCGG	ATGGCTAAGG	GAGTCTAGAC	TGGAATTCTGT	CGACGAGCTC	OCTATAGTA	CTCGTATTAG	AGGCCGACTT	8400
8401	GGCCAATTC	GTAAATCATGG	TCATAGCTGT	TTCCCTGTGT	AAATTGTTAT	CCGCTCAAA	TTCCACACAA	CATACGAGCC	GGAAAGCATAA	AGTGTAAAGC	8500
8501	CTGGGGTGC	TAATGAGTGA	GCTRACTCAC	ATTAATTGCG	TGGCGCTCAC	TGCCCGCTT	CCAGTCGGGA	AACCTGTCT	GCCACCTGCA	TTAATGTAATC	8600
8601	GGCCAACGCG	CGGGGAGGG	CGGTITGCGT	ATGGGGCCT	CTTCGGCTTC	CTCGCTCACT	GACTCGTGC	GCTCGGTCT	TGGCTGCGG	CGAGGGGTAT	8700
8701	CAGGTCACTC	AAAGGGCGGT	ATACTGGTTAT	CCACAGAAC	GGGGATAAC	GCAGGGAAAGA	ACATGTGAGC	AAAAGGCCAG	GGAAACCGTA	GGAAACGCCA	8800
8801	AAAGGGCGG	TTGCTGGGGT	TTTTCATAG	GCTCCGCC	CTGTGACGAGC	ATCACAAAAAA	TGCACTGCTCA	AGTCAAGGGT	GGCGAAACCC	GACAGGACTA	8900
8901	TAAGATACC	AGGCCTTCC	CCCTGGAAGC	TCCCCTGTG	GCTCTCCGT	TCCGACCCCT	CCGGTTACCG	TGATACCTGT	CGCTCTCTC	CCTCTGGGAA	9000
9001	GCGTGGCGC	TTCATAGC	TCACGCTCAC	TTCTGGTAGC	GTTATCTCAG	GTCGTCGCT	CCAAAGCTGG	CTGTGTGGC	CGCTCTCTC	GGACCCCGG	9100
9101	CGGTGGCC	TTATCCGGG	ACTATGGTCA	GGTACGCTGT	GGTGGTGTAG	GGCAGCTGGCA	GGAGCTGGCA	GGAGCTGGCA	GTAAACGGAT	TTAGGAGGCG	9200
9201	AGCTATGTAG	GCGGTGGTAC	AGAGTTCTTG	AGAGTTGTGC	CTAACTACGG	CTACACTGAG	GGCAACGCTAT	TGTTGTTCTG	CGCTCTGCTG	AAGCCAGTTA	9300
9301	CCTTGGAAA	AAGAGTTGGT	AGCTCTGAT	CCCCGAAACA	AACCACCCGCT	GGTAGGGGTG	GTTTTTTGTT	TGCAAAAGCAG	CAGATACGC	GCAGAAAAAA	9400
9401	AGGATCTAA	GAAGATCCT	TGATCTTTC	TACGGGGCT	GACGTCAGT	GGAAAGGAAA	CTCACGTTAA	GGGATTTTGG	TCATGAGATT	ATCAAAAGG	9500
9501	ATCTTACCT	AGATCCTT	AAATTAAGAA	TGAAGTTTA	ATTCATCTA	AAGTATATAT	GAGTAAACTT	GGTCTGACAG	TTACCAATGC	TTAATCTAGT	9600
9601	AGGCACCTAT	CTAGGGATC	TGTCTATTTC	GTTCTCATCCAT	AGTTGGCTGA	CTCCCCGTCG	TGTAGATAAC	TAACGATAAC	GAGGCTTAC	CATCTGGGCC	9700
9701	CAGTGTGCA	ATGATACCGC	GAGACCCACG	CTCACCGGGT	CCAGATTAT	CAGCAATRAAA	CCAGGCCAGCC	GGAAAGGGCG	AGCGAGAAAG	TTGGTCTCTGCA	9800
9801	ACTTATCCG	CCTCAATCCA	GTCTATTAAAT	TGTTGCCGG	AAGCTAGAGT	AAGTAGTTCG	CCAGTTAATA	GTTTGGCCAA	CGTTGTGCC	ATTGCTACAG	9900
9901	ACATCGGGT	GTCACGGTCG	TGTTGGTAA	TGGCTTCATT	CAGCTCCGGT	TCCCAACGAT	CAAGGCGAGT	TAACATGATTC	CCCATGTTGT	GCAAAAAAAG	10000
10001	GGTTAGTCCT	TCGGTCTCC	CGATCTGGT	CGAAGCTGAG	TGGCTCCAG	TGTTGTTCTG	CATGTTCTAT	CTACGACTTC	CCATGTTCT	TACTCTGATC	10100
10101	CCATCCGTA	GATGCTTTTC	TGTGACTCTA	CCAAAGTCATT	CCAAAGTCATT	CTGGAATAATG	TGTTGCGGG	GAACGGAGTTG	CTCTTGGCCG	GGGTCAATAAC	10200
10201	GGGATAATAC	CGGCCACAT	AGCAGAAACTT	TAAAAGTGTCT	CATCTTGGA	AAACGTTCTT	CGGGGCGAAA	ACTCTCTAAGG	ATCTTACCGC	TGTTGAGATC	10300
10301	CAGTTCGATG	TAACCCACTC	GTGCAACCAA	CTGATCTTCA	GCATCTTTA	CTTTACCAAG	CGTTTCTGGG	TGAGGAAAAAA	AAATGCCGCA	AAATGCCGCA	10400
10401	AAAAGGGAA	TAAGGGCGAC	ACGGAATGT	TGAATACTCA	TACTCTCTT	TTTTCATAT	TATTGAAGCA	TTTATCAGGG	TTATTTCTC	ATGAGGGAT	10500
10501	ACATATTGA	ATGTTATTAG	AAAATAAAC	AAATAGGGT	TCCGGCACA	TTTCCCCGAA	AAGTGCACC	TGACGGCCC	TGTACGGGG	CATTAAGGCC	10600
10601	GGGGGGGTGT	GTGGTTACGC	CGACGGTAC	CGCTACATT	GCCAGGCC	TAGGCCCGC	TCCTTTCGCT	TCCTTCCCTT	CCTTTCTCGC	CACGTTGGCC	10700
10701	GGCTTTCCCC	GTCAAGGCTCT	AAATGGGGC	ATCCCTTTAG	GGTTCCGATT	TAGTGCCTTA	CGGGCACCTCG	ACCCCCAAA	ACCTTAACTG	GGTGTATGGTT	10800
10801	CACGTTAGTG	GCCATCGGCC	TGATAGACGG	TTTTTGCCC	TTTGACGTTG	GAGTCCACGT	TCTTAATAG	TGGACTCTG	TTCCAACCTG	GAACAACACT	10900
10901	CAACCCATTC	TGGCTGATT	ATAAGGATT	TTTACAAATT	TTTACAAATT	CGGCCTGATT	GTAAATAG	GGACTGATTT	RACACCAACT	TAACCGGAAAT	11000
11001	TATTAACCAA	TATTAACCAA	TTTACAAATT	TTTACAAATT	CCATTGCCA	TTCAAGGGGA	TGCAAGGGCA	TTCAGGCTGT	TCCTCTCGGT	TCAGGACGTC	11100
11101	TTTAACCAA	CTGGGGAAAG	GGGGATGTGC	TGCAAGGGGA	TAACGCCAG	TAATGCCAG	TTAAGTTGGG	CGCTTAATAC	GGCCAGTGGC	GTAAAACGAC	11200
11201	AAGCTGACTT	GGTCAGGGCC	CGCTTAATAC	TTAAGTTGGG	TAACGCCAG	TAATGCCAG	TTAAGTTGGG	CGCTTAATAC	GGCCAGTGGC	GTAAAACGAC	11300

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Fig. 12B-1

2077/1	ATG GCG CCC ATC ACG GCG TAC GCC CAG CAG ACG AGA	GGC CTC CTA GGG TGT ATA ATC ACC GAC AAC CAA GTG	2107/11	GGC CGG GAC AAA AAC AAC CAA V
2167/31	M A P I T A Y A Q Q T R G L L G C I T S L T G R D K N Q V	Q T R G L L G C I T S L T G R D K N Q V	2197/41	2227/51
GAG GGT GAC GTC CAG ATC GTG TCA ACT GCT ACC CAA ACC TTC CTG GCA ACG TGC ATC AAT GGG GTA TGC TGG ACT GTC TAC CAC GGG GCC	E V Q I V S T A T Q F L A T C I N G V C W T V Y H G A	E V Q I V S T A T Q F L A T C I N G V C W T V Y H G A	2287/71	2317/81
GGA ACG AGG ACC ATC GCA TCA CCC AAG GGT CCT GTC ATC CAG ATG TAT ACC AAT GTG GAC CAA GAC CTT GTG GGC TGG CCC GCT CCT CAA	G T R P I A S P K G P V I Q M Y T N V D Q D L V G W P A P Q	G T R P I A S P K G P V I Q M Y T N V D Q D L V G W P A P Q	2347/91	2407/111
GGT TCC CGC TCA TTG ACA CCC TGT ACC TGC GGC TCC TCG GAC CTT TAC CTG GTC ACG AGG CAC GCC GAT GTC ATT CCC GTG CGC CGG CGA	S R S L T P C T C G S D L Y L V T R H A D V I P V R R	S R S L T P C T C G S D L Y L V T R H A D V I P V R R	2437/121	2497/141
GGT GAT AGC AGG GGT AGC CGC CTT TCG CCC CGG CCC ATT TCC TAC TTG AAA GGC TCC TCG TGG CCG CTC TGC CCC GCG GGA CAC	G D S R G S L T S P I T S Y L K G S S G P I L L C P A G H	G D S R G S L T S P I T S Y L K G S S G P I L L C P A G H	2527/151	2557/161
GCC GTG GGC CTA TTC AGG GCC GCG GTG TGC ACC CGT GGA GTG GCT AAA GCG GTG GAC TTT ATC CCT GTG GAG AAC CTA GGG ACA ACC ATG	A V G L F R A A V C T R G V A K A V D F I P V E N L G T T M	A V G L F R A A V C T R G V A K A V D F I P V E N L G T T M	2617/181	2647/191
AGA TCC CCG GTG RTC ACG GAC AAC TCC TCT CCA CCA GCA GTG CCC CAG AGC TTC CAG GTG GCC CAC CTG CAT GCT CCC ACC GGC AGC GGT	R S P V F T D N S P P A V P Q V S F Q V A H L A P T G S G	R S P V F T D N S P P A V P Q V S F Q V A H L A P T G S G	2707/211	2737/221
AAG AGC ACC AAG GTC CCG GCT GCG TAC GCA GCC CAG GGC CAG AAG GTG TTG CTC AAC CCC TCT GTT GCT GCA ACG CTG GGC TTT GGT	K S T K V P A A Y A Q G Y K V L N P V A A T L G F G	K S T K V P A A Y A Q G Y K V L N P V A A T L G F G	2797/241	2857/261
GCT TAC ATG TCC AAG GCC CAT GGG GTT GAT CCT AAT ATC AGG ACC GGG GTG AGA ACA ATT ACC ACT GGC AGC CCC ATC ACG TAC TCC ACC	A Y M S K A H G V D P N I R T G V R T I T G S P I T Y S T	A Y M S K A H G V D P N I R T G V R T I T G S P I T Y S T	2887/271	2917/281
TAC GGC AAG TTC CTT GCC GAC GGC GGG TGC TCA GGA GGT GCT TAT GAC ATA ATA ATT TGT GAC GAG TGC CAC TCC ACG GAT GCC ACA TCC	X G K F L A D G G C S G G A Y D I I C H S T D A T S	X G K F L A D G G C S G G A Y D I I C H S T D A T S	2997/301	3007/311
ATC TTG GGC ATC GGC ACT GTC CTT GAC CAA GCA GAG ACT GCG GGG GCG AGA CTC GGT GTG L V V L A T P P G S V	I L G I G T V L D Q A E F A G A R L V V L A T P P G S V	I L G I G T V L D Q A E F A G A R L V V L A T P P G S V	3067/331	3097/341
ACT GTG TCC CAT CCT AAC ATC GAG GAG GTT GCT CTG TCC ACC ACC GGA GAG ATC CCC TTT TAC GGC AAG GCT ATC CCC CTC GAG GTG ATC	T V S H P N I E V A L S T G E I P F Y G K A I P L E V I	T V S H P N I E V A L S T G E I P F Y G K A I P L E V I	3157/361	3187/371
AAG GGG GGA AGA CAT CTC ATC TTC TGC CAC TCA AAG AAG TGC GAC GAG TGC GCA TTG GGC AAG CTC GCC GCG AAG AAT GCC GTG	K G G R H L I F C H S K K C D E L A A K L V A L G I N A V	K G G R H L I F C H S K K C D E L A A K L V A L G I N A V	3247/391	3277/401
GCC TAC TAC CGC GGT CTT GAC GTG TCT GTC ATC CCG ACC AGC GGC GAT GTT GTC GTC GTG TCG ACC GAT GCT CTC ATG ACT GGC TTT ACC	A Y Y R G L D V S V I P T S G D V V S T D A L M T G F T	A Y Y R G L D V S V I P T S G D V V S T D A L M T G F T	3337/421	3367/431
GGC GAC TTC GAC TCT GTG ATA GAC TGT GTC ACT CAG ACA GTC GAT TTC AGC CTT CCT ACC ATT GAG ACA ACC	G D F D S V I D C N T C V T Q T V D F S L D P T I E T T	G D F D S V I D C N T C V T Q T V D F S L D P T I E T T	3397/441	

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3427/451	ACG CTC CCC CAG GAT GCT GTC TCC AGG ACT CAA CGC CGG GGC AGG ACT GGC AGG GGG AAG CCA GGC ATC TAT AGA TTT GTG GCA CCG GGG	3457/461	T L P Q D A V S R T Q R R G R T G R T G I Y R F V A P G	3487/471	GAG CGC CCC TCC GGC ATG TTC GAC TCG TCC GTC CTC TGT GAG TGC TAT GAC GGG GGC TGT GCT TGG TAT GAG CTC ACG CCC GCC GAG ACT		
3517/481	E R P S G M F D S S V L C E C Y D A G C A W Y E L T P A E T	3547/491	3577/501	3637/521	ACA GTT AGG CTA CGA GCG TAC ATG AAC ACC CCG GGG CTT CCC GTG TGC CAG GAC CAT CTG GAA TTT TGG GAG GGC GTC TTT ACG GGC CTC		
3607/511	T V R L R A Y M N T P G L P V C Q D H L E F W E G V F T G L	3667/531	3697/541	ACT CAT ATA GAT GCC CAC TAC TTA TCC CAG ACA AAG CAG AGT GGG GAG AAC TTT CCT TAC CAG TCA GGC ACC GTG TGC GCT			
3787/571	T H I D A H F L S Q T K Q S G E N F P Y L V A Y Q A T V C A	3727/551	T H A Q A P P S W D Q M W K C L I R L K P T L H G P T P L L	3847/591	AGG GCT CAA GCC CCT CCC CCA TCG TGG GAC CAG ATG TGG AAG TGT TTG ATC CGC CTT AAA CCC ACC CTC CAT GGG CCA ACA CCC CTG CTA		
3887/601	3907/611	TAC AGA CTG GGC GCT GTT CAG AAT GAA GTC ACC CTC ACG CAC CCA ATC ACC AAA TAC ATC TAC TGA TGC ATG ACA TGC ATG TCG GAC CTG GAG GTC	Y R L G A V Q N E V T L T H P I T K Y I M T C M S A D L E V	3937/621	3967/631	GTC ACG ACC TGG CTC GTT GGC GTC CTG GCT GCT GTC GCG TAT TGC CTG TCA ACA GGC TCG GTG GTC ATA GTG GGC AGG	
4057/661	V T S T W V L V G G V L A A Y C L S T G C V V I V G R	3997/641	4087/671	4117/681	ATC GTC TRG TCC GGG AAG CCG GCA ATT ATA CCT GAC AGG GAG GTT CTC TAC CAG GAG TIC GAT GAG ATG GAA GAG TGC TCT CAG CAC TTA		
4147/691	I V L S G K P A I I P D R E V L Y Q E F D E M E E C S Q H L	4177/701	CCG TAC ATC GAG CAA GGG ATG ATG CTC GCT GAG CAG AAG GCC CTC GGC TCC CGC CAT GCA GAG GTT	4207/711	P Y I E Q G M M L A E Q F K Q K A L G L Q T A S R H A E V		
4237/721	4267/731	ATC ACC CCT GCT GTC CAG ACC AAC TGG CAG AAA CTC GAG GTC TTT TGG GCG AAG CAC ATG TGG ATT TTC ATC AGT GGG ATA CAA TAC TTG	I T P A V Q T N W Q K L E V F W A K H M W N F I S G I Q Y L	4297/741	I G L S T L P G N P A I A S L M A F T A A V T S P L T T G Q		
4327/751	4357/761	GCG GGC CTG TCA ACG CTG CCT GGT AAC CCC GCC ATT GCT TCA TTG ATG GCT ATT ACA GCT GCC GTC ACC AGC CCA CTA ACC ACT GGC CAA	A G A I G S V L G K V L G K V D I L A G Y G A V A L V A L V A	4387/771	4447/791	4507/811	GGC GGC ATC GGC AGC GTT GGA CTG GGG AAG GTC CTC GTG GAC ATT CTT GCA GGG TAT GGC GCG GGC GTG GGC GCA GCT GTT GTC GGT
4597/841	F K I M S G E V P S T E D L V N L P A I L S P G A L V V G	4627/851	4657/861	4747/891	TC RAG ATC ATG AGC GGT GAG GTC CCC TCC ACG GAG GAC CTG CTG CCC GCC ATC CTC TCG CCT GGA GCC CTT GTA GTC GGT		
4687/871	V V C A A I L R R H V G P G E G A V W M N R L I A F A S R	4717/881	GTG GTC TGC GCA GCA ATA CTG CGC CGG CAC GTT GGC CCG GGG GCA GTG CAA TGG ATG AAC CGG CTA ATA GCC TTC GCC TCC CGG				

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4777/901 GGG AAC CAT GTT TCC CCC ACG CAC TAC GTG CCG GAG AGC GAT GCA GCC CGC GTC ACT GCC ATA CTC AGC AGC CTC ACT GTA ACC CAG
G N H V S P T H Y V P E S D A A R V T A I L S S L T V T Q
4867/931 CTC CTG AGG CGA CTG CAT CAG TGG ATA AGC TCG GAG TGT ACC ACT CCA TGC TCC GGT TCC TGG CTA AGG GAC ATC TGG GAC TGG ATA TGC
L L R R H Q W I S P E C T P C S G S W L R D I W D W I C
4957/961 GAG GTG CTG AGC GAC TTT AAG ACC TGG CTG AAA GCC AAG CTC ATG CCA CAA CCTG CCTG GGG ATT CCC TTT GTG TCC TGC CAG CGC GGG TAT
E V L S D F K T W L K A K M P Q L P G I P F V S C Q R G Y
5047/991 AGG GGG GTG CGA GGA GAC GGG ATT ATG CAC ACT CGC TGC CAC TGT GGA GCT GAG ATC ACT GGA CAT GTC AAA AAC GGG ACC ATG AGG
R G V W R G D G I M H T R C H C G A E I T G H V K N G T M R
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P V W A R P D Y N P P L V E T W K K P D Y E P P V V H G C P
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Fig. 12B-4

Fig. 12B-5

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 7507/1811 7537/1821
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 7687/1871 7717/1881
 7777/1901 7807/1911
 8047/1991 8077/2001

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Fig. 13A

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Fig. 13B

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Fig. 13C

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Fig. 13D

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Fig. 13E

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Fig. 14A

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Fig. 14B

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Fig. 14C

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Fig. 14D

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Fig. 14E

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